September 5, 1894 to October 20, 1894

# LITTLE MEN & WOMEN

## COMPOSITIONS

E. A. W.

Sept. - 1896.

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→26 Scottville Local Meeting

Oct. - 1896.

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→24 Lacinville. Loc. Meeting

→31 Modesto. Local Meeting (Paper 5th x 4½ Pres. Meeting.)

7 Nov. - 1896.

→14 Girard. Local Meeting.

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→28 Palmyra. Local Meeting. (President)

5 Dec. - 1896.

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26 Meeting dropped.

2 Jan. 1897

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→30 Scottville. Local Meeting (Assistant on affirmative of Question)

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September 5th 1896. Saturday.

Mamma & Papa went to town. Letter from Mr. Vogel saying school would begin Monday. Rud. Hoseé & I went to Briar then to Linden to Band Concert. 2 to 3½ Physiography (9.45) & ab. translate (5½)

Sunday.

Mamma & Hoseé brought me to Mr. Pepper's.

Monday.

Ma & Papa started at 10. twenty-seven pupils. Was so favorably impressed & had hoped. Nearly worn out with my walk. (2½ miles) [illegible]

Tuesday.

Mamma stopped in at noon - as we were going to Rud Bell's school. Spent most of the day. Be-[illegible]

to the afternoon home right after school.
One of Belle's pupils had a "fit"

Thursday

Stella cried all morning with her foot. Sent her home at noon with Miss Maud Dalton. Clarence visited the school afternoon.

Friday

Mamma came as school dismissed.

Saturday

I ironed in morning. Afternoon went to town. Got slippers ($1.75) stockings 5¢ Called on Ed's Fannie.

September 13th, 1896. Sunday

Came back in the rain. Noone at Mr. Duggan's. (Joke about the dollar)

September 18th Friday

Went to Mr. Guinn's. Next day Albert

Elmo came. Sunday. played outdoors.
Ray and Belle took me to Mr. Kluggie's.

September 26th 1896 Friday.

Went home with Anna. Mr. Harold overtook us on way home. Decorated with yellow hook so old with an "ordinaire's", hat on. Race around the house. (Pillow fight.) (Ferris Wheel) Stunts specific at school houses. (A man was a shoe's to teaches how to teach school, I guess it was the Supt) (James Richard White)

September 27. Saturday

Pretty day. (Two little "Sweet Peas") To Institute at Scottville. Good meeting. To Miss Walton's for dinner. Met Mr. Brown and Miss Elder.

Sunday.

Ray and Anna took me to Mr. F's where

to Mr. Grimmett's.

Next Friday, went home.

Went to party at Mr. Hartsook's.

October 22nd 1896. Thursday.

Belle came over and staid all night. Next day, Clarence Belle and I went to Tarlinville to Co. Institute. Exceptionally good time. To Aunt Nell's in morning, for dinner and at night. Out to Auntie's for dinner. Started home about five o'clock. Turned considerably cooler.

October 30th. Friday.

Went to Belle's. Saturday, Mr. & Mrs. S. went to Winchester to big rally. Belle & I went to Modesto to Local Teacher's Meeting. Mr. McClure was present, and gave a good talk on "Director and Teacher". Went with Effie Lynch to Mr. Curtis's, for dinner. Missed

discussion of my paper. Back home late.
Mr. Beasley took us all to Rally at Scottville
Nov. 13, 1896. Friday

Mamma came, Belle went home with
us. Next day went to local meeting at
Girard. To Eddi Wilson's for dinner. Sun-
day, Mamma and I took dinner at Belle's
Went to party at Vanarsdale's.
November 23d, 1896. Saturday.
Clarence and I went to Local Meeting
at Palmyra. Several members absent.
Day was very disagreeable, - cold wind. Went
to Prof. Moore's for dinner, Carpenter did too.
(Ahem, I just wanted to get something
new Mr. Vawter)
November 27. 1896. Friday.
Mr. Vogel came to see if Mr. Alford's
children might come to school.

December 2nd Wednes-

Went to Mr. Conrods. Next day the girls all gave me birthday whippings and kisses. (Two big apples — finger rings

December 7th. 1896. Tuesday.

Mr. Ruggles & Mr. Vogel moved stove and fixed windows. Afternoon I changed pupils' seats.

December 8th Wednesday

Mr McClure surprised us by calling about three o'clock and remaining until school dismissed. (Things are as I expected to find them. After visiting schools, such as many that I have gone to, it is a relief to visit a school like yours. Again, I'll say I am well pleased.)

December 18th 1896. Friday.

Read full school. Bird came at

last recess. Dismissed for the next week.

Saturday

Papa and I went to Girard. Got new black dress.(7.13) Sent money orders to girls and for journals. Postage 5¢. At Decks (95¢) for Rubbers.(140)

Sunday

Mamma and I went to meeting at Everley. Next day, made black dress skirt. Tuesday, went to Posts; paid Kitz miller $.70. At night, went to Musicale at the American. Wed., went to Stone's, visited Sugar Creek School. Staid all night. After supper, Betty, Lela, Casper, John, Lester and I went to Adell's. — recitations and music. Thursday, Jeff took me home as he went to Palmyra. About 10:30 Bird and I started to Virden. To Alderson's for din-

ner. With Mary Alford; told about Aunt Susan's death. (At Star Store $3,00. for picture)

December 25th, 1896. Friday.

Sewed all day. Next day went to Harvey's. Folks went to funeral. Candy oranges, nuts and big yellow apples. Got letter from Ida. Sunday, came back to school.

Dec 31, 1896. Thursday.

Belle visited school, and I went home with her. Watch Party. Had good time. Authors, Anagrams, four games, refreshments. rest while others redeemed pawns -pickles- oranges.- pencil sharpener- return of handkerchief. -

January 1, 1897. Friday.

Tired. Rainy. Will Hollingsworth + Ralph Smith visited school. Georgie's cousin from

Clifton - was with us four days.

January 2, 1897. Saturday.

Rained all day. spent day sewing. Sent for Examination paper. ($1.00) Mailed letters to Katie and Pearl. Clarence and Ora went to the party. I read to the children after supper; and wrote up my journal from Sept. 13, 1896. The party crowd got wet as drawn-ed rats.

Jan. 8. Friday.

Mamma came for me. Was almost sick. On couch most of time. Came back Sunday. Meeting at Mt. Moriah began Saturday.

Jan. 15. Friday

School went over to church at noon. (Attended meeting every day and evening.) Belle came on sled

with Mr. Beasley's. — went home with her. Came back next day as they went to Palmyra for furniture.

Jan. 21. Thursday

So muddy, decided to not go to church. Roy wanted us to go to the party — went and had nice time. Crowd was small. (Fine day) (Carbide swings)

Jan. 23. Saturday

Ora + I went to Palmyra. Cr night it turned very cold. To church and home with Mr. Beasley's. So cold as everything next day. To church at night. Cold. Sun. Wed. Snow came and the crowd was made up to take me home Tuesday evening. Roads not good enough to go so far. (Two weeks to go, the crowd had talked of taking me home)

Mar. 5. Friday.

Went to Bertha's. Saw in Transcript that Central would be postponed.

Mar. 6. Saturday

Bertha & I went to town with Mr. Vogel. Roads, awful. (Got red waists and had pictures taken. Cashed order.)

Mar. 7. Sunday.

Went home on horse-back. Roy there. Clarence told about Central at Scottville.

Mar. 12. Friday.

Began work about ten o'clock. At noon company began to come. (About 25) Albin Arnold brought Graphophone. Children spoke "pieces". Treated children to candy and oranges. Had jolly good time and parted with good will toward all. - Even to my two beloved directors. After went home Roy

headached dreadfully. Packed trunk and telescope.

March 13, 1897. Saturday

Clarence, Orra and I went to Palmyra to Teacher's Meeting. To Dr. Almonds for dinner. Had good meeting. Afternoon, the school gave an entertainment. (Spell "Fishing Sandy". — Mr. Carpenter. Spell "Block-head." — Mr. Ed. Crum.) Staid up-town for some time. Walked out home with Dollie.

Mar 14, 1897. Sunday.

Dollie & Nellie gave me their pictures. Went to Dad's. Mr. Blevins there for dinner. Carl & Joe came in the evening.

Mar. 15. Monday.

Boarded train for home. Talked with Josie Rumsford until we arrived at Modesto, and her place was occupied by -

At Waverly
Mr. Carpenter. Sent baggage to T.S.E. depot and called on Miss Lina Gibson. Arrived in Girard about 5 p. m.

All next week spent straightening up

Callers - Grandma Shroyer, The Mrs. Wilson's, Jennie Vandiver, Mrs. Farthing, Bertha Alford. Gussie Fear.

March 28. Sunday

Went to hear Rev. de Vlois (Pres.) Shurtleff

Mar. 29. — Went after my trunk.

Apr. 2, 1876 Called on Fannie Friday.

Apr. 6. Went after fruit. To Mary's for dinner.

Apr. 7, Wednesday

Fannie came to see about chickens

In afternoon she came by for me to visit Ed's school. Co. Supt. was there. Well pleased with things in general. Mr. McClure gave good talk concerning

words. (One new word a day: occasion to use new word at suppertable.)

April 8. Thursday

Rained all day. Hearvey and Warner here for dinner. (Hearvey paid me in full.)

Apr. 11. Went to Baptist church in evening

Apr. 17. Papa went after corn. Mamma went to [illegible]'s, & I went to [illegible]'s, for lunch.

Apr. 18. Easter Sunday

Mamma & I went to M.E. church.

Apr. 19. Borrowed Ex. Nat. book on Physics. Studied quite a good deal but went and made block waist. In Thurs. Papa went after more corn; didn't get back [illegible] (Thursday Pudding)

Apr. 24. Saturday

Purchased Mackerel". Papa brought [illegible] fruit trees & peaches. I was over to look at

Mother's hat. Ma washing yesterday and dried the clothes and ironed today. Mrs. Farthing[illegible].

Apr. 25. Sunday

Slept nearly all day.

Apr. 26. Set out [illegible] corn. Mrs. Kidwell, Mrs. Farthing & Bucklecattled. Cut Mamma's cape from + rattle from Paper

Apr. 27. Cut my cape. Visited Miss Jones. Miss Cutler's home. Mrs. Beeby called. Mamma received letter from Sr. Letters from Lois, Ebert & Flora and Emma, Got lace (2yds @ 25¢) and ribbon (2 1/2 yds @ 20¢) for capes.

Apr. 28. Got capes nearly done. Eve with me. Planted potatoes, corn, peas, cabbage beans. Had [illegible] for dinner.

Apr. 29. Got [illegible]. Mrs. Bucklecattled. Ironed. Cleaned out [illegible] Rained all day. Sent letter to Eureka. Studied some. Wyle Cuffee's plaque [illegible]

Friday.
Apr. 30. Hoed + hoed. Sent postals to Supt
and to Mr. Evans.
May 1 Sent application to Senn Board.
Sunday
May 2.
To S.S. and church. (Please take your
song books to sing the Doxology.) Rec'd
with Sammie for dinner.
Monday
May 3.
Sent application to Mr. Vogel. Rec'd
Normal outline. Sent note to Belle F.
Tuesday
May 4.
Raked yard, around grapevines.
Belle Farris here for dinner. Visited her
and Mrs. Gardner a while.
Wednesday
May 5 - Lettering pin at house.
May 6. Hoed + weeded yard + around
up the ditch. Read catalogue from Buch
nell. Papa + I mixed out at Mr. Lewis's,
oats ground. Studied lessons + Music
May 7 :- Hoed east yard and killed

low places in front. Papa and Ben Bass got load of hay and corn. Dinner at 2. Fixed stockings. Papa got his suit

May 8. Saturday.

Had ironing. Papa & Clark planted potatoes at Grandma Shroyer's. Went after pair slippers. (0125) Met Alice Mc. Mamma called on Millie. Papa got shoes & hats.

May 9. Sunday

To S.S. To opera house to Baccalaureate sermon, - good. Road pouring rain. Wrote to Pearl.

May 10. Monday

Cut plantin. Red circulars from Bell

May 11. Tuesday.

Sick all day. Read "Barriers Burned Away." Afternoon papa went to plowing.

May 12, 1897. Wednesday

Planted verbenas and radishes. Not at all well.

May 13. Thursday

Washed four windows, two doors and cleaned front porch. Afternoon, covered mamma's rocking-chair. Wrote to K. R. R.

May 14. Friday.

Mailed letters to K. R. and Mary D. Called at Fannie's. Letter from Bill. Walnut candy. Called on Grandma, but she was away, stopped at Mrs. Fairwell's and Mrs. Farthing's. - Borrowed book of Poems. Much colder. covered garden truck.

May 15. Saturday

Washed dishes gave front part of house general sweep and dust.

May 20. Thursday

Letters from Bertha, Joe, Mary L. and a card from E. J. Brown. Went to Fannie's. Made preparation to go see about school.

May 21. Friday.

Went early to Fannie's, then to Nibbi's, then for our buggy (You can't open that gate, it'll fall down. Next time go around the other way.) Saw Brown and Anderson. Left note for Brown at Wolle's store. Charlie here when I came

May 22. Saturday

Up town, got belt 20¢ and mits. 95¢ Charlie went home. Mama not feel badly swollen. Blisters on my feet.

Letter from Mrs. Leach

May 23. Sunday.

Did not wear shoes all day.

Mamma's feet no better. - Road Cow
Georgia Louise came to Pat's.
May 23 Monday.
Took suits back and got pereale 30¢
hairpins 5¢. Stopped at Fannies - pine-
apple and banana -
May 24. Made pereale shirt waist.
May 25. Wednesday
Papa & Miller went to Bird's. Got
hay cultivators & sow & pigs. After-
noon Tessie & I drove down to Mr.
Brown's. Stopped to see Mr. Leach.
Letter from Mr. Smith.
May 28. Friday
Went to Harlinsville. Sat. morning
called on Miss Snow, Mr. McClure
Mrs. Bonner. Viewed the new Christian
church. Came home afternoon. Miss
Snow gave me fern and rent basket of

flowers to Mr Cobb.

May 30. Sunday

Auntie, Willis, Earle, Charlie & Fred here for dinner. Papa went to Decoration Services. Mamma & I took a drive and called at Mr. Anderson's.

May 31. Monday.

Hoed garden, pulled weeds & cut plantain. Tuesday worked in garden and yard. made over dinity waist. Uptown twice for mail. Letter from Eva. Called at Fannie's. (renewal blank)

Attended Co. Normal. Extra fine. Minnie & I chummed together. Got First Grades, both of us.

Got Mr. Moriah school again. Got along extra well. Three pupils passed central. Went to a good many parties during first of winter. Midwinter Exhst. the best in the U.S. W. H. Smith

=1898.=

May 2. After a two weeks stay at Harvey's am home again. Made 21 dresses for Ella & children). Went up town this morning. Saw Mabel Smithson. Recived outlines for first weeks study from American Correspondence Normal of Danville, N.Y. Went to Mr. T.O. Stutzman and left application for Pleasant Hill school. Saw Messrs Edwards and Bell about Sugar Creek School. - prefer man teacher. Too many big boys for a woman. - Sent letters to Nora J. Mabel Smithson. Took Maria to Smith's

May 3. Studied and wrote biography of Lincoln. Letters from Bertha A. & Effie Brandon. Sat. Store, here.

May 4. Wednesday. Sent application for Sugar Creek. Wrote to Mr. [illegible]

Wrote letter to Mary E. Wrote out algebra to send to F—. Studied all afternoon. Effie's mamma was worst to-day. Ma washed [illegible] shirts. Lee to be married May 5. Thursday. Studied all my eyes would let me, as I have done every day. Went to Pat's a few minutes. Alfred is today. Wrote out Rich. & Edith, to send to F—. Letter from Rena.

May 6. Friday. [illegible] Studied all afternoon. Letter from Rena. Studied a while this evening. Pa [illegible] for coffee from Wards. Wrote to

May 7 Saturday. Beautiful day. Made geranium bed and raked part of garden. Mabel lessons to Commencement. Letter from Mabel Smithson.

May 8 Sun. Clear & bright. To church in morning and evening. Rev. Geo. Buck preached. (Would rather be a man than to eat) Read nearly all day.

Mon. Read a miscellaneous morning. Studied very little - hist. & civics - made more garden. May M Iris. - Pitty day. Butter boy here & telephone Mikland C. - Papa took me to Milkwood - saw Brown - you'll teach our school for $40 won't you? - out to Mr. Mannamaker's. Back to Miller's and Pa broke stakes. Rain came up.

Wed. Ma ironed. Studied good deal.

Thurs. May 12. - Studied all day. Letter

from Mary 10. Card from Mabel 5. Third week's lesson outlines. Books came from M. E. N. well pleased with them. Papa at work at Miller's afternoon.

May 13, Friday.

Saturday. Very rainy. Mabel 5. here to get order blanks to send to Tenn. Nov. Mr. Miller came for umbrella. Brown and Heaneman came to draw up contract. six months @ $40. Soldiers went through on way to New Orleans.

Sun. May 15. To church. To Sunday S.S. afternoon. Met the Misses Shoulter. The Preacher's evening sermon "Woman, Her Influence and Responsibility." (Beauty is only skin deep. Id skin too) (In India you can buy five women for what one can cost.) Wrote to Nellie.

May 16. Monday. Mailed letters to Nellie Ora, Henry Stutzman & John Edwards. Kept up my lessons. Io Teague in evening. Lucy Carter reader. Anniversary meeting Thursday. - 27th soldiers passed through town, bound for Chickamauga. (How I like to go as nurse - can't both Edmund) Mrs Leach and children came. Made curtains and silver fan ornaments. Did not study much on account of eyes.

Wednesday. Wrote to Ora

Thursday. Lessons came. Hail storm did considerable damage in some localities. Broke 27 window lights at Rob Updike's. Mark H. almost fainted when he saw their "fine feathered friends" go out.

Friday. More soldiers passed through town. Cars ran but did not stop. Mrs. K

and mamma went to Mrs. Wadsworth's.
To meeting of Library Association. Business consisted of reading and discussing "By laws". Constitution reconsidered amended and adopted. (Cons. and Byl adopted as a whole) Report of nominating com. Election of officers. Pres. Rev. F.L. Buck. - Vice Pres. Everett Harry. Sec. Emma W-. Treas. H. C. Rogers. Board of Trustees. Mrs. Conrad, Mrs. Wright and Miss Emma W-. The Executive Com. appointed W. L. Conrad Librarian. Finished hair net. Sat. May 21, 1898. Very nard rain last night. Cleaned front bed-room. Lute brought back the coat she did n't borrow. Harvey's came. Up town after dinner. Saw Mrs. Edwards - Pretty sore.

Sunday May 22, 1898.
To church, morning & evening Preached all out. Saw Hal Robison. G.M. Lynch & bride. Monday. - Preacher came down to help me arrange report of previous meetings of Library Assn. Mamma went to Mrs. Lemons's to make soap. Williams called to sell an organ. Georgia Post is one year old today. Was invited until three p.m. Went to League - subj. "Honoring Father and Mother", Leta B - led. Tuesday, A.G. Donaldson called to learn my decision concerning organ. Wrote to Bertha H.

Sunday May 29, Mamma & Papa went to Opera House to Memorial Exercise. To church at night. - Preacher "Boiled over" Excellent sermon on "Why the Christian should be interested in the present war.

Monday. Up town, went to cemetery with Mal Hays - saw everybody. To League only a few present (band concert). Returned preacher's book - Washington)
Tues. Studied a little. pressed out and nearly made silk waist. Mrs. Walters, here. (our garden's nothing but a chunk of mud)
Wed. Finished waist. Studied some To P.O. - letters from Allie & Cora - To Fannie's - Bought Grammar Chart $1.25
To church at evening. Schuyler - died.
Thurs. June 2. Studied lots. finished pink and green leaves for mat. Cal R was on hunt - a holiday - [illegible], League, com
Letters from Eva, Zola & Lou. - After supper Ida & I took a promenade to listen to Band play. Papa commenced plowing for corn
Blocker girls came for sewing 7 eggs.

Friday June 3. Wrote out some exam. papers. Ida and I went to meeting of Library A. Talk on Economics. Got book entitled "Never Too Late To Mend".

Saturday. Swept all over the house. Kate came for extract. To Lecture by Dr. Craven on the Dark & Bright side of India. — ghost story about collection.

Sunday June 5, To church twice. Missionary day. - The Ghost Story acted out. To Dunkard S.S.

Monday - Hot - sick -

Tues. June 7. put down sitting-room carpet. Mr. Shutt here for dinner.

Wed. rained did not go to church.

Thurs. big wash. Allie came. Mr. S. here for dinner. Went to Mrs. Ames's - Ella's shirt waist.

Sun. June 12. To church to children's day

exercises (keep still so you can hear the words of the duet)

Mon. Studied most of the day, got lessons ready to send out. To the preacher's to take topic card - no one at home.

Tues. June 15 papa finished planting corn on Bellamy ground.

Wed. moved stove out in summer kitchen Thurcleaned dining room.

Friday. Mrs. Kidwell & Bessie spent afternoon here. To Lily A.'s for "Ministers' Art." Papa to Rec. Exch." (for cot (26), flower-pots (60), [illegible] for mat (15) corset (49) shields (60) - cars (20)

Sat. Girls, Bessie & I went to band concert. - Leader's perpetual motion - [illegible]

Sun. June 19 To SS. Dr. Day preached. Cal and Ida here for dinner. Harris girl at the altar when church dismissed. E.D. home from church

Mon. Ida led league

Tues. girls picked raspberries (34 qts) (50) tablets (45) letter from Wed. Up town - stamps

Sent butter to Mrs. [illegible]

Mary P. Received grades for 1st mo. all marked "A". To Fannie's; paid for my [illegible] year chart (1.20) To prayer meeting.

Thurs. put up "glory strings." girls planted beans. started over revivalquestion.

Papa plowed corn. gave papa money for [illegible]

Fri. Girls took second trip at picking raspberries. (45 qts)

Sat. made corset waist. Mamma [illegible] girls went uptown. No concert. Mr. Burr called in afternoon. Girls picked berries (27 qts)

Sun. To S.S. & church. rained hard about noon.

Mon. Mamma & girls picked berries.

Tues. Papa helped Miller put up hay. Letter from Nellie + wrote to Lou. + Bertha S. Elizabeth and [illegible] plowed corn the next day.

Thurs. Miss Davidson called. Ella + [illegible] children here. Girls went home with her. To Bessie's to play croquet.

Friday July 1, Took a General clean Finished reading Mind of Art
up of kitchin and room. Went to meeting of Library Ass. Talk on Bimetalism and Tariff. Voted in four new members. Home about ten. Sold 34 lb of rags @ ¼ct.
Letter from and to Miss Lott.
Saturday - Took general clean up of yard. moved chicken coops, swept the yard and scrubbed the walks with lye.

July 4, 1898 - Monday. Lizzie and Anna Lott, Flossie and Bess Trover came on morning train. Met Mr. Caverly and Mr. Kelley - "Take my hand and I'll help you", "It", "Ice-cream and biscuits" "Did you ever read 'Sweet William'?" "Faint gracefully." Mamma made ready the beds. "Say, what's that boy's name?" Girls left next day.

July 14, Mrs. Webb spent the day here.
We girls had our pictures taken.
Mooman's baby buried. Charlie came and went to Bartonville
July 19, Ada L. Lura and Mrs. Morse
and Mrs. Post here. Getting ready for
the wedding. Up town. Preacher's dinner
try and stopped.
July 20. Uncle Ira's, Maud's and
Harry's came. Ida was married at
noon. Photographer came down after
dinner and took a picture of the
crowd. Papa, Allie and I went to church
Mandolin Club planned for a serenade but discovered their mistake.
July 23 - Allie left for Indianapolis
July 28. Mamma and I attended
S.S. convention at Union Chapel.
Mr. Pearce made an excellent talk.
Next day, Papa & Mamma went.
July 30, Minnie came; She Lute Lura,

maud H-, Bessie and I went to concert
Was with Miss Caswell and Leta B-.
Had a bushel of fun. Enoch & Minnie
brought me home. Ida and Charlie
went out to Harvey's next day. and
Mr. D. brought Minnie's basket.

Monday Aug. 1, 1898. Up early, baked
a cake before breakfast. Down to Car-
linville by ten. 225 teachers enrolled
the first day. In evening went to
court house - viewed the exhibit and
election of co. officers. Pres. Mr. Yerkes
Sec. Jennie Fitzgerald.
A little peddler came to miss Enoch's tent picture card.
Tues. Rainy, good many visitors to view
the exhibit. after noon, we missed two
classes waiting for it to stop raining.
Nona Tidsort came. Rain in the evening
prevented our going to court house.

(Ida & Charlie left Illinois)

Wed/Aug. 3, 1898. Anna & others from Palmyra came over. Up in the dome, after institute. Chat with Prof. Kessinger. Went to court h- at 7 o'clock a.m. to help take down the exhibit. Attended Commencement. 122 graduates. Kate D. & Mabel S. came by for us. Best music was by Palmyra pupils and a solo by Master Bruce Mounts. (I want my Lou, Indeed I do, I'll have her too) (Shut up, confound it)

Thurs. Pretty day. Went out to Auntie's to stay all night.

Friday. Beautiful day. Institute closed by singing "Battle Hymn of the Nation" a short talk by Supt. McClure. Mamma came for me. I thoroughly enjoyed the week. The most helpful points, for me, were gleaned from Miss Hamilton's language work.

Miss Fitzgerald's composition work and Prof. Kirke's pedagogy & school law. So much going up and down steps nearly wore me out. Mamma and Auntie were at Miss Snow's waiting for me. Got home before dark.

Thurs. Aug. 11, 1898.

Mamma & I went to Palmyra picnic. Saw everybody. Was with Cora Brunt part of the day. Home tolerably early.

Wed. Aug. 17, - Bertha & Rose came as I was washing the supper dishes. Bertha came back next day and I went home with her. Arrived about 5:30, and as soon as Joe changed horses we dressed for the evening & were on our way to Solomon Miller's Infair. Had a jolly good time. Friday evening we went to Mr. Quinn's. Vogel's chain on the gate

Saturday. I took a long walk afternoon. Hemstitched on a handkerchief that Bertha had begun. Joe went after supper but it was not done. In evening had music and fun. (now quit) Blew out lamp & went and left you asleep on couch. (last day)

Sunday August 21. Charlie Berry was intended to come out, but he had to drive the hearse. Oscar Miller came. After dinner we went to the north house. Roy, Blanche, Ed, Hoofe and Ora already there. To church at night. Saw Ralph and Will.

Monday. Bertha & I went to Mrs. Vogel's. After dinner went to Grimmell's. To bed early that night.

Tuesday. To Beasley's in forenoon. Back at eleven. Afternoon Mr & Mrs. A. went to Mrs. Edwards's to have picture taken. Bertha

baked two cakes. After supper rain clouds came up. Made ice-cream and as we had finished eating, Roy, Ova, Clarence & Hope came. Rained hard. Boys put up horses. Clarence hitched up and took the girls home. Roy was a "privileged character" and remained until morning.

Wednesday I finished up the crochet handkerchief and read some. Afternoon Bertha, Cleve and I came to Girard. Went with them up town. Got shirt-waist pins. Letters from Ida, Lillie, Elizabeth.

Friday Aug. 26. Swept, and washed windows all over the house. Mamma not at all well. Slept in afternoon.

Saturday. Read work about done up when Flossie and Emma Straub came

After dinner, went up to the Reunion. Had a fairly good time. Ethel Simmons came home with me to supper. To concert in evening - had jolly time. (Joe, Dr. Davis, Allie D., Willie E. Daisy R. Henry S. Cecil R.) Got Ethel's picture. Ruddin Young brought the girls home.

Sunday Aug. 28.

To church. Mrs. Kirwan here to dinner. Told about Pearl going to Springfield to get married. Afternoon Flossie & Emma went to Bohm's. They went with Lute in the evening to church.

Monday. Hot as everything, washed.

Tuesday. Hot. ironed. Anna Lott spent day here. Up town with her afternoon. Got light calico dress 4½¢ and writing tablets 3 at 3¢. Representative of U. J. L.

called to collect membership fee. $5.00
Stopped at gallery and talked with
Mr. Harrod about Library and pictures.
Wed. Aug. 31. Mamma & I went to Carlin-
ville to W.C.T.U. picnic. Dry time forenoon.
Mamma ate dinner with Albert's and I
ate with Tongate's & Allen's. As mamma
was ready to go, we met Elizabeth & Sapna.
Saw Maina's at Nell's. Afternoon and even-
ing had a grand time. Met dozens of
young people. Mr. Kelly was on hand.
(Story of the two Irishmen. "Better to rob the
cradle than the grave". "Harry Blue and
the new drum") Took drive over town
during concert. Lain & Lavery came home
with us; arrived at a quarter of twelve.
September 1, Thursday:- In afternoon
Elizabeth & I peeled peaches while Mrs.

did Elizabeth's washing.
Friday, Elizabeth ironed all day. I pressed out my organdy dress. Mr. & Mrs. Hoffall, Mr. Rob. Battice, Miss Nate Kennedy and Miss Angie Armstrong spent the evening with us.

Saturday Sept. 3, I read to Elizabeth while she did up the house work. Afternoon called on Harris girls, only Maud at home. Stopped in town on way back. Got ice, tissue paper, 10¢ paste, 5¢ chocolates 10¢ Met Mr. Carroll - invitation to dance. Elizabeth went. Emma came. Sophia & I were out in yard and would not go into house until Tom left. Sophia made lovely tea for us.

Sunday, Sept. 4 Went to German Catholic church. To restaurant for cream.

Hoeckers at Lous for dinner. Saw Kate H. at church. Elizabeth & I went to Conn Shilly's funeral at 4:30 p.m. Drove all over the south part of town. Mr. H called in the evening. ("The shadow of Sopha's foot." "You were'nt expecting me were you?" "Now don't get red-headed.")

=Monday. Made roses for Elizabeth. She quilted. In evening took a drive. Mr. Gumbrecht, Anna Shaefer, Mary Darcide and Mary Watermier came.

=Tuesday. September 6, 1898. Elizabeth took me to town. Had our pictures taken together. Saw Anna up town Mr. Kelly came in store where we were. Saw Uncle Dr. Started down to Clara Lorenz's. Told Kelly & Anna goodbye. Back to photographers to see proofs

Charlie waiting for me. Turned much cooler and rained. Peddler boy at Auntie's. Got harp & hair pins. 30¢

Wed. Sept. 7, Flossie went with me to 9:20 train. Glad to get home. Fourth. Letters from Mary B, Willie, George Long. Afternoon mamma & I called on Lillie and Nellie Lynch. To church at night.

Thurs. Wrote letters. Mamma went to Old Baptist meeting in City Park. Afternoon took my watch to Virden to have it cleaned and a crystal put on.

Friday Sept. 9, 1898. Made a circle. Mrs. Quinn & Julie called. Mamma & Mrs. L. went to meeting. Julie & I went walk. Letter from Bertha A. Cut a basket light wrapper. Received program for local Teachers Meeting in Litchfield Sept 17.

Saturday Sept. 10. 1898. Visited my school dist. secured boarding-place at Mrs. Leach's for $8.00 per month. Called at Leach's, Brown's & Hammond's. Procured registers. Mr & Mrs. Cody called. Sun. — Too lazy to get work done in time to attend church. Had dinner nearly ready when papa came. Mamma went to Mrs. Kirwan's. Papa went to Everley with the preacher. To church at night — Bessie went with me.

Mon. Washed. — rained all night. Mr. K and daughter here. Bought shoe dressing 25¢
Tues. Ironed. finished my light wash. Callers: Mrs. Bel, Grandma S— Mrs. Casey and children. (Mr. C. sent word that he'd take my (book-case) Letter from Elizabeth
Wed. Studied school work all morning. Afternoon sewed. Rev. Burke called.

To meeting at night. (Farewell prayer meeting) Went to Virden for my watch. We went along. Aunt Martha told me of Mertie's death. Letter from Ida.

Thursday. Rainy and Friday. Piano and sorted journals to take with me. Letter from Ida. Young "Buck" arrived.

Friday. While we were at breakfast Mertie came for flowers. Over there at 8 & Worked until after 3 o'clock. Made pillow of green, red and white, - star design. Two anchors - a red wreath in pieces. A white and green cross. A crown. A motto wreath. Immense crowd at the funeral. Grave banked beautifully. At night attended meeting of literary Soc. Mr. Hancock & Cal Rogers. Election. Parliamentary practice taken up. The

committee to find Rain Stone, had report ready. - Good.

September 17, 1898 Saturday.

Received letter and box to Mrs Bacon's. Mailed on 11th. Roast mutton for dinner. Letter from Allie. Mr Kinnan called up town - signed with Lita about ½ ct, Lot book. Three parcels "Wide Awake" "Happy Hours", by Paul from Mrs. Bacon. Trimmed ½ of dinner bonnet, ½" elastic, 3½ calico for apron, 21c Finished them. Tata & I attended band concert. Two splendid pieces of music. To bed late and very tired.

Sunday. To church. (Cyrus Bacon & yourself) Mr. Miller here for dinner - he and papa went to meeting. Afternoon - mamma brought me over to my boarding place. Emma brought my cape, pictures and Lizzie's letter.

Wrote to George. Retired late.

September 12, 1898. Started to school at 7:30. Two directors already there. Everything went well. Two pupils present. Beautiful day but very warm afternoon. Had headache. Lay across the bed dressed & did not go to bed at all

Tuesday. Feeling quite well. Pupils all present. Somewhat discouraged on account of inconveniences. Before supper read six chapters of Library Book. Wrote letter to Allie & Ida and enclosed pictures of Elizabeth and myself. Read about Roads and aqueducts. Retired at eleven. Hot day.

Song "Our Flag."

Wednesday. Cloudy. Foggy and misting rain. One new pupil - two absent. Played blackman at noon. Greatly encouraged concerning school work. Called

on Mr. Brown to see about new seats. It was time in time to avoid a soaking. Burnt meat all night. It rained until late.

Thursday. Mr. L. took us to school. Sunshine and showering intermingled. Before supper, read six chapters in Lit-took. Wrote to Mary H. School O.K.

Friday. Mr. L. took us to school & came for us. Bright nearly all day. Visitors brought 6 chairs, dish-pan, hatchet, soap, crayon, toweling, matches, window-glass, tacks, wash-pan and exam. paper and stove polish & stove pipe. Mrs. L. and children brought me to Girard. Gave her slips and cake receipts. Letters from Jos. Belle and Nellie. Tracts from — Kettick. Played base-

and read Lib. book until quite late.
Saturday. Made my big ruffled apron
and three school towels. Read Lib. book. Went
up town, - got library paste, 5¢ tablet 10¢ colored
crayon 4¢. Down to Fannie's to see "2 Grace
Mildred". - Ice cream -. To band concert
with Bessie. Ethel L. was with us. Got stuff
necktie 10¢ and chocolates 5¢. Home at 10 p.m.
Sunday. Sept. 25, 1898.

Rained very hard all the latter half
of the night until about 7 o'clock a.m.
Papa went to S.S. Pa and mamma attended
the Baptist church. Mamma & I started
over there at 3 o'clock. not very muddy. Mr
Ballinger's spent the evening here. I
wrote some on my library essay. Go to School
Monday. Turned quite warm again.
Took us to school. Directors had left the

stove pipe down and rain came down the chimney. Soot over everything. Wrote new song "Little Busy Bee" on board at noon. All present except Kenne's. Read headache, to bed early, sick all night. Read several chapters of Lubbock before supper.
Big table put in my room. Sent for stamps 20¢
Tuesday. Somewhat cool. Got up late. drew a line or two with colored chalk. Wrote home for "Good Books."
Wednesday - finished reading "True Tales of Heathen Women" by M. A. Paull. - Spurgeon book. Edith went home sick at Smith's yesterday Thursday. Very tired, nearly sick. Lay down to rest noon as I came from school. Suffered about night. Felt pretty well after nap and supper, so worked on and completed paper for Lubbock. To bed 11.40. Rained at night.
Friday. Took us to school. dizzy and vomiting

all day. Nora had Chill - went home. At recess the Ballinger children went home to attend a musicale. Mamma came as we were about to dismiss. Went to Reading Circle. Special program - Especially good. Did not get to bed very late. - 11.30 (letters from Ida, Pearl & Hattie)

Saturday Oct. 1, 1898.

Rainy all day. Straightened up book case and wrote Ida great long letter. Up town, exchanged books. - Got "Early Britain by Alfred J. Church. Purchased nice Astrakan jacket, lined with heavy sateen. Talked with Miss Simmons about learning German. Saw Miss Addie Burnett. dye for jacket. Spent evening at Kidwell's. Bessie's loaf cake and fun. New game "Flying Dutchman." Box rent 20¢ Postage 3¢

Sunday, rainy. Folks went to S. S. and to 1st Western Teacher.

church at Baptist Church. Rev. Buck sick. Cleared off after dinner. Back to Mrs. Leach's about four twenty-five. Called on Wes. Weller's. Girls having chills. Began letter to Pearl. Monday. Runnes' came back to school. Jas. Smith started. School very pleasant. Worked on doily at recess. Finished letter to Pearl. Mrs. L. went to her mother's. Came for us as I was in midst of stove blacking. (finished for next evening - Mr. Brown came by)

Tuesday Oct. 4. 1898. Took us to school. Oliver O. invited me to come see his girl. Worked doily at noon. Nearly sick, feverish. Finished doiley and worked another one after supper. - Poor little mousie in the wash-bowl - To bed at 10.30

Wednesday Oct. 5, 1898. Felt pretty well. Played B. M. at noon. Cooler - had fire. Wrote to Jo

Thursday- good day at school,- had fine
Friday.- Read first chapter of "Pe-
simmons". Promised prize of a story-
book to the one who writes the best
reproduction. Better lessons than usual
Warmer and cloudy. B. Class drew maps
of Ill. on board. The best four - Hattie H.
Emma K., Lenora B. and Myrtle C. - are to
draw maps to put up in the room.
Mamma came after children had gone.
Put Roy D. on his wheel.
Papa cutting corn for Coy, so I drove out
and put rig away. Letters from Allie, Ira
George.

Saturday Oct. 8. Papa cut corn. Mr. Cozy
came after my book-case, Mrs. C. came with
and paid $5.00. Took Mrs. Kidwell some
string beans. Mrs. Farthing says "Now
you've just gone and got married and

are a movin' away." Ironed doileys. Re-arranged front room and stacked books in the bed-room. Up-town after dinner. Took book to Library and got "Froebel's Gifts." To bank, then to P.O. to mail letters to Pearl & Joe and "Irishman" to E.L. To Mrs. Dunnigan's - got gray military hat $1.25. To Cookson's. got shoes $2.50 and velvet hair-ribbon $.15. Paid Miss Simmons. After supper, Della & Bessie came, all ready to go to the concert. Saw Minnie, Leta, Miss Cassidate. (So long and not longer; hush, was you speaking to me?) (Cup mousie.)

Sunday October 9, 1898. Did house-work. Went to church. Heard Presiding Elder preach. Subject - Life of Moses. - Good. Started for school about 3 p.m. Met Will Meter

Called at Theresa's about three quarters of an hour. Wrote to Lou.

Monday. School Song. Te tune of "Yankee Doodle." Big rain from the west first afternoon. Seven days at school for the children. Mrs. L. came on load of wheat. Wrote to Belle. Rain poured at night.

Tuesday:- Folks went to Girard. Got window-glass. Sent for slate pencils 10¢. Mrs. L. sick.- got medicine from Dr. Davis. Wore new shoes to school. Played base all recess. After supper, read some of "Freckles' Gifts" and wrote to Belle. Took us to school and came for us.

Wed. Oct. 12. 1898 — Mrs. Leach quite sick and chilly. Ora washed supper dishes.

Thursday. I felt so sick and tired, we did not go to Chivers' as we had planned

Friday Oct. 14. – Splendid day at school. Read to children about Salt, after recess. Hurried home and found folks waiting to go to Girard. Mamma gave me two big squashes and I gave Eva a big geranium. Lute and Carrie called. Letters from Bertha A. and Bertha B. and Program for Local Institute at Palmyra. Papa tired did not go to Read C.

Saturday Oct. 15 – To Palmyra. Mr. J took Barney to stable. Saw "Peary" at Martin's corner. Ella Edwards in the store. To school building. Had quite a chat with Bertha, Eva and Clarence before program began. ("Miss Wormwood" came all the way from Girard to get hints on Composition.) If we can teach Girard anything it's our duty to do it.

Talked on every subject, nearly. Went with Lou to Rev. Roverton's for dinner. Mary Watson there, too. We had an all around good Institute. Enjoyed talk with Lou & Dora about Observation Work - escaped up town with girls. - to store, mail, C.P., livery stable. Nellie & I took Graham children fairy dance to see "Miss ?" Go fairy at Capt Alford's. - 72 registered. (Nell Arnett thinks she owns the cash 'cause she came with Will Hollingsworth (Ray Quinn seems to be Iona or Burnie) Played "Shouting Proverbs." - R.B. was telling about the "heart-rending scene" when the soldier boys returned to Mommouth, "I've enjoyed myself, come see me some time". Nellie & I had so much to talk over that we hushed at 2 o'clock until 11. (E.D. supposing that "somebody" went with about.)

Sunday Oct. 16. 1896. - Mrs. G. had sick headache. Clarence showed me his chart for prefixes and suffixes. Fussed over Cyclopedias. Talked about Libraries. Started home about 8 o'clock. Took Nellie home. Arrived in Girard as bells were ringing for church. Staid in town and attended League and church at night.
Monday - Rainy. Barny went flying as far as Madison's. Wrote to Mary D.
Tues - Engaged Oliver as janitor for the remainder of the term for six dol.
Sang "Never Say Fail". Wrote to George.
Wed. Mrs. L. went to Girard - got Schedules 10¢. Rode home on load of corn.
Thurs. - Rained and snowed from 8:30 until 4 o'clock. Played Fruit Basket. After supper, moved things around in my room.

Town rooster to school at noon. - Mr. B. thought it was Mr. G.'s horse.

9 × 40 = 360 } Mr. B's Line
6 × 45 = 225
2 × 30 = 60 } Cherry Grove

Krueger's
Quinn's
Bowen's
Vanarsdell's
Cornwell's
Boyd's
Long's
Brunetts

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January 28th. Tuesday.

Got up early. Pretty day, - thawed considerably. Had full school. Good lessons. After supper had discussion on "Negro" and "Indian" question. Laughed about Dollie and me goin' (Goin). Roy ate an onion, and I went in the other room and drew map of Italy. Beautiful night, not very cold. Went to bed early. I rode home from school, Jennie Dyer and I stood up.

January 29th. Wednesday.

Pretty day. Had good school. Lou went home at last recess. They laughed about "Scratch" bringing Rose home. A. class drew map of Italy, on board. In B. Geog. I asked how high is the highest peak in

the U.S., and had to laugh. We walked to meeting at the Baptist church. King preached about "The light of the world". Three boys went forward. I got letter from Miss Richenberg.

January 30th. Thursday.

Had good school. Sunny in the morning - clouded in afternoon. At noon Irene and Roy tried to see who could act the "biggest monkey". Rode home, rubbed him down, jumped rope (buggy line) and to-forth. Ione and Billie fixed [illegible] of last week and I [illegible] with. Swapped Billie's [illegible] with mine. - Quite [illegible] at me about using [illegible] to church. Irene and Mary went to church. Ione called me "Backwoodser" I replied, that I would rather be

a "backwoodser" than a "heathen". We went down to the schoolhouse. Not many there. Had no meeting. Went to Mr. Skeate's. Had music. Laughed at Joe and Charlie about going to "hunt". Charlie has concluded he would rather hear than fish, as it is not so cold there going up the creek. We suppose it is because the fish are all "young". When we started home it was raining. Joe rode and I came across the prairie. Some thought we were going to China. Joe asked me if I had been so long about it. Mr. Hutchinson, Lute's brother, Mary and Hattie Jones, Ida Whitehouse was converted. Expect will come to school this evening for Joe and Lillie.

January 31st. Friday.

Dark and rainy. Had twenty pupils. Irwin, Walter, Charlie, Roy & Jesse went down the road and came back after school had called. Roy and John tried themselves. I was daddy kind, in my actions, but, inwardly, I burned with anger. After school I traced pencil marked in register. As I started, I knew it had made many mistakes, or done the least thing to cause such actions as had transpired. The reply, "I'm sorry. It's a trifle, they just took a notion to be mean." As I came across the bridge I sat on the banister and watched the water flow over the rocks. I read the Medical paper. Jesse tried to make us believe he could not read. After supper he brought up "Scripture

argument; read two chapters from the Testament, asked our opinions, then gave us his explanation. Calls us "backwoodsers". We went to bed early. Lillie did not come to school.

February 1st. Saturday

Dark and gloomy. Wish I could be at Pikewood to the Local Institute. I straightened up books and papers, put most of them in my valise. Had a talk with Nellie about school. A perfect jewel to be so good. I fixed my tan skirt. Jesse went to Modesto, cut wood. Mary baked all morning. Had baked chicken for dinner, and I ate so much dinner that I was not hungry for supper. Jesse said it was the first time he ever saw me not hungry. Ed came in the evening. Had

(Jemima)

told about hauling one of my pupils around in the big wagon. Laughed about him going to Carlinville on Tues, following the wagon-ride. Joe came home with Jess. Argued about "Backwoodsers" and "Mountain-heathens". They said Dolly got mad. The boys went to town. As they were starting, Joe was going to make me take back something; I made a certain remark which caused him to take sudden leave. Gave oranges. Dolly and I went to church with Ed. Roads were very bad, and we went through the fields. Rhoads preached, but got sick and King took the meeting. Excellent meeting. Got home about eleven. Ben came before we went to bed. Afternoon Lillie came to tell us about going out

to Scottsville to wait on her sick cousin
Wanted Dollie to take her part in the
dialogue. Asked Dollie to bring her
books. (Rocking chair frozed to-day two

February 2nd. Sunday

Rainy and dark. Jess went away.
Charlie Crawford came. I read story
"Howard and his Teacher". Laughed
about "Love in the Kitchen"; also, "Love in
the Front-room." ("I'd get it and keep it")
Roy read. I took down items; and for
shelter for the book, I screamed, jumped
straight up and ran into the bedroom.
Threw the book to Roy but Charlie got it.
Thought it in little bedroom to read but
we would not let them alone: then
went over by the milk house and ice-
house gave out the books. Mary called on
everybody to help put the toys in the

Brown Baptist is 4 years old today
lot. Dolly went to put Joe's hat on him
and had to stand on the bench. Had
dispute as to whether francakes were
baked, or fried: proved that bake is right.
Jess says Flo is the only good looking
girl in Baltimore. Mr. Brown, the best looking
man. Kentucky is noted for tobacco,
whiskey and the pot. Jess says "Dollie is-
is = is, all right". "She's too smart to be
called a bachelor's cook". Boy, Nellie + me
are "smart aleckes". I went to bed at seven
o'clock. It snowed, rained, sleeted and
what not, all day. Ground not at all
frozen but covered with snow and sleet.

February 3rd. Monday.

Two or three inches of snow and
still snowing. Trees and bushes look
like Christmas trees. Snowed all
day, but thawed more than it snowed

Had a very small school. only eleven. Stopped to see Mr. Strate. Made short talk about conduct of Friday. Better results, but far from perfect. At noon, the girls were getting locks of everybody's hair. (If you'll come over after school is out, I'll give you a lock of my hair.) I was tired this day: about sick. After supper I went to mamma and told her I was going to commit suicide. She said she had no sympathy for such people. Would not grieve if I or Father committed suicide.

February 4th. Tuesday.

Snowing most all day. Children played snowball, at noon. Had only a few pupils. Excellent order. John B. and John W. visited from recess

until noon. In evening, had pupils to each study a separate reading lesson and read to the school. After school, I graded the 5th Read. exam. papers. By night, the snow nearly all gone. Roads are muddy. After supper, made up items, and copied some, in literary paper. Sent letter to mamma. Told them at home, that I never had my face washed but once and then it cost $40. Dollie played music with

February 5th Wednesday

Snowed last night. Nearly all melted today. Filled two rolls in the classification registers. Geography classes drew maps on paper. Settled with Elbert for acting as janitor — Time, 55 days. — Stopped at Mr. Strate's. Lester and Charlie had cut papers all over the floor. Told Mrs. Strate

we would not want the organ for Stevens
asked Mr. Sabout getting treat for pupils.
got home as supper was about ready.
Roy and Jess went to town meeting.

February 6th. Thursday.

Cloudy. Didn't freeze much last night. Mel Burt went to school. Nearly everybody there when I got there. Had recitations in morning but not very hard study. At noon Irwin clipped off a curl of my hair. Then Lou took one from the other side. everybody got to cutting hair. I got a lock of the hair of each pupil present. Charlie Roberts, Mr. Tongate, Lillie and John Whitehouse came at noon. Took up school at 2:15. Stella and Kora chose up and we had tuff exercises. Forestood up longest. Then, those who

had learned pieces, spoke them. After which we had writing-match. Nellie was champion. Then we began ciphering and Mr. Strate and Charlie C. came and brought candy and oranges. Presented treat; and after a very few words dismissed. Children bid me good-bye and we all went home. Tom came here from school. Nellie stopped at the gate and took a lock of my hair. At noon Roy and John locked the door and Tom and I sailed the ship, until we were about tired out. Tom said she would stop to see Everett, and I said if she did I would go to see Milton. Charlie C. came by to go to church. Tom called me in the kitchen - once. Roy, Tom and Nellie went ahead. Albert and Tom came by. Mud - mud - mud

Had "jubilee meeting". Everything arranged to run like clock work. Did it really? Was at church. Saw so many ugly hats and ugly boys. & tried to [illegible] to come home the shortest road - to go where went on anyway. Got my feet wet. Water [illegible] to ice and the [illegible] my dress. Etc. more about leaves etc. Ray took [illegible]

February 7th Sunday.

Not very bright nor very cold. Evening like Saturday. Girls and I went to town. Ct. schedules. Saw Mollie Forgate & stopped at Dean's. Girls went to Harris and came by for me in about a half hour. I wrote up my diary and cleaned the mud off my clothes of the night before. Mr. J and Jim came just before dinner. After din-

ner I filled classification registe and made out schedules. After supper Dora and I went over to Mr. Strate's. Mrs. Strate played and sang. Charlie played the harp and Mr. Strate violin. Paid Mr. S. for bringing mail. Got home at nine.

February 8th Saturday.

Didn't do much of anything. In the morning we talked about examinations. I looked over school journals. After noon I put things in my trunk preparatory to leaving. Packed to Troy. Took a pair of stockings, and fixed my dress. We went to meeting at the Presbyterian church. Jennie Baker Dora and I started home together but turned back to visit Jennie a while and we started after 6 got home at 7. Sat by the stove and almost melted. Jennie home with Dr Baker

February 9th. Sunday.

Got up rather late. Not very bright to-
thawed considerably. Got ready for church.
Grant stopped in. Ida and Mr. Jones
carried my grip. Went to Presbyterian
church. Seven united with the church.
Had Communion. Dr. Ic went to Cora's.
I stopped at Orah's. Told Ira, Mary
and John Boyer good-by at the gate.
Stella did not go to meeting. Went to S.S.
afternoon. Belle Brendle was there.
Orah staid for Ladies' Meeting. I went
to Mr. Searey's with Belle. Showed me
pictures, christmas presents, silk waist
cushion cover, collar pattern and so forth.
Belle went back to Orah's with me. They
were at supper. Brought us in a lunch
-pie, cookies, and cocoa. - Went to Meth-
odist church. Belle went home with the

Myrtle Rockey, said we looked like twins

Mahan girls. Card came with Stella and I.

February 10th. Monday.

First thing I remember, Grah called me and said John Tongate wanted to know if I brought the schedules there. He left the order book. At breakfast Grah & Anna laughed about the "Supposed Elopement." (Going to take the early train, had business with the preacher, Stella was in no rush to get to school. Grah and I rushed down to the depot. Anna got my ticket. Mary Kitzmiller and Wolf went on same train. Took valise and went with Mr. Kitzmiller to Mrs. and Miss Li a Gibson's. Spent a very pleasant day. Mamma met me at depot. Told that Papa was at Carlinville. — card that Uncle Bill was very poorly, not expected to live thro'

the night. Mrs. Park and Gussie sick with sore throat. - not quite so well in the evening. Read Allie's letter. Changed dress and went with mamma to milk. After supper papa came. Uncle Will, Lottie, Auntie and Carl arrived sick with colds. Papa went out to "the farm." Gussie had a letter from Mary stating she was intending to get married soon as her man could get a divorce. Went to bed at half past ten.

February 11th. Tuesday.

Pretty day. Three or [illegible] ran over to Mrs. [illegible] - [illegible] Bessie Reid left home early. Wrote to Allie. Got a card today from Lizzie. Read [illegible] Gussie went for mail. Had a quiet day here. Dressed dinner. Apple-dumpling for pie. Papa dipped up two pails of milk.

Mrs. Post told me Mrs. Thacker wanted me to make two more bunches of roses. Read over several old letters. Went to bed soon after supper. Rained some corn afternoon. Mamma's throat sore.

February 12th Wednesday.

Sleeted and rained last night. Bad pain in left side of head and heart. Tacked locks of hair on cards. Lute came over to see if we were sick, then came for Frank's shoes. Mamma working rug wheels. Mamma told about Mrs. Post saying the preacher eat kraut like his legs were rotten. Made heavy spray of pink roses. Rained awhile after noon. Mrs. Post came to see Lute. Lute came after noon. Tess [illegible] about [illegible] "Lily". Played on [illegible] Tess [illegible]

February 13th. Thursday.

Clear and windy in morning. Sunny all day. Made two clusters of roses for Mrs. G. Thacker. Press got and paid for them. Press wants to sell mother organ. I was over to Pat's in morning and mamma in afternoon. Mrs. Pat no better. Gus, lots better. Snowed a little last night nearly all melted by evening.

February 14th Friday.

Pretty day. Papa went over to the country. Uncle Fred & Pat. I went up over and got valentine, [illegible] [illegible] tissue paper, [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] book, [illegible] Opening a Basement Store- postage. Wrote a ltr to Mrs. Got letter from Carl. Tied roses and finished a card. Hair. Put pieces on binding of [illegible]

Wrote to Mrs. Richenberg, after supper. Played on harp. Lute came over at noon and showed valentine Ford sent her. Press. came for ironed clothes.
liver gravy and nothing but liver gravy.

February 15th. Saturday

Not very bright - sun shone only now and then. Wrote to Katie Murray. Mailed letters. Got letter from Aunt Nell. Uncle Will improving. Finished fixing my princess dress. Mamma's cold and throat worse. I had to get breakfast. Gus came this afternoon. After supper began reading "Gems Chestnut Burr".

February 16th Sunday.

Very bright all day but not thawing in shade. Changed things around in sitting room and took part of plants to cellar. Read all morning. Had

gooseberry pie-cake for dinner. After dinner went to see Grandma Strong. Mrs. Thrasher, Etta, Stella and John there. Talked about schools; teachers, church and preachers. Spoke of "Grandma's morning bird". Etta came home as I did. Left her belt. Talked of walking out to Lee's. We went to Methodist Church. Sermon mostly historical - races of people and from what tribe descended. Had the headache, a cordy lay.

February 17th. Monday.

Bright in morning. Made bed, built stove and ironed. Then finished reading "Oak. B." like it very much. Dr. Post came over to return coffee and staid until the boys came home. Mr. came also. Had supper. After Mrs. Farling came over. Took a [illegible]

preachers - Rhoads, Keater - school - Ora Burnett. Lute came to get dress to wear in Modesto. - Played piano and she sang sacred song - "Remember Thy Creator". After supper, wrote to Rees. Got letter from Miss Riefenberg.

February 18th. Tuesday.

Bright: cold. Wind very strong. Washed. - Received Mrs. Post's wringer. Got a catalogue from Wolf & Vier. Got notice from Sec. Etter that I was expected to prepare and read a paper on "Writing, Vertical or Slant", at the Northwestern Institute, to be held February 29th at Modesto. After noon curled my hair. Mr. Tait stayed called. After supper papa went to meeting of Building and Loan. Bowersox told a check, and we have to pay

75 dollars more than was agreed upon.
I wrote to Mr. Bates concerning Institute
Began writing article on "Writing". Turn-
ing very much colder. Williams's girl
February 19th. Wednesday
Cold, windy and bright. Wind
blew all night - little snow fell. Mr.
Talkington brought over two dollars tim-
ber. Swept, mended fire, and finished
terms. Wrote some on "Writing" for In-
stitute. Mamma [illegible] Post-
poned [illegible] Got notice from Bates that
he declined [illegible] Wrote
to Central State [illegible] Wrote
to Miss Rosenberg. Finished "Writing"
for the Drake. Rained the latter part
of night and all day. Thermometer at
4 o'clock - one day - in the morning 10°

February 20th. Thursday.

Down to zero and windy. Tried to read considerable. Head and eyes hurt tolerably much. Papa went for load of fodder after noon. Got back late. Ruth came over to learn her lines for her dialogue. Mrs. P. came for the middle. Mamma made gown yoke. Cold and windy. Evening read. Went to bed. Examined copies of Intelligencer for article on Newspaper Writing. Found two good ones.

February 21st. Friday.

Very night. 6° above zero. Ma. came for sack of potatoes. Brought us something to eat. Mamma went to Mrs Fanning's. Mrs. Fanning was not home. Hubbard came to work at house. Mrs. Burley came for Mamma to

went over to Etta's and we visited with Emerson's mother. Washington Program. Went to see if Vesta would go to Emerson but she was not at home. We set to Ed. Lewis' Nellie and Ina stayed and visited with us to bed. Cold and windy.

February 22nd Saturday

Much warmer. Not very bright. Washing all the forepart, got it over. Set hens about noon. Went over to see Emerson and found him sick a bed. Mother was taken with [illegible] it was a good time to go over and [illegible] [illegible] and I [illegible] to bed early. Not very [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

running and made the cattle run.
As we came from Sprague's, saw Reks
children stopped and talked a while.
The question for last Thursday was
"Resolved that the city affords greater
advantages than the country." Lilli
is Sec. and Lou is Editor. Stood at Lyceum
February 23rd Sunday.
Got up late. Looked through book
and got things to bring home. Wrote
orders and left them with Mr. Sin-
gate. Started home about ten o'clock.
Saw Nellie and Lou and Elbert.
Lou and Elbert talked of the Exam.s
They are going to Modesto next Sat.
Roads were very wet, mud deep and
very bad from the Harvan Creek to
the Schroeder hill. Took three hours
to a trip. Their horse was "give out."

Got home about three o'clock. Woo-
man's were here. Spoke of going to
Modesto - Sid wants to go. My neck
head and throat hurt. Got letter from
Ida yesterday. Mamma and I were
invited in evening. George had been
home and told her to do so. She feared
about skiing out. Didn't get any milk.

February 24th Monday.

Pretty and bright. Cold, rained most
all night. Mamma washed & was
sick. Sid not well this a.m. Had
to water horses - supper. Mulard put
out three washes. Kirtland called
the evening - talked like I'd rent the
place. Got letter from Miss Riesenberg.
Papa went with meat up to practice
at Pierce's office, after supper. Wind
blows deep.

February 25th. Tuesday.

Pretty day. Feeling better-aching gone-throat sore lower down. In morning Rogers came to see about buying chickens. Mamma went up to dentist's-tears away. She got box of Malaria. I copied and nearly finished recopying article on writing. Mamma went to Mrs. Darling's. Lute was over here a while. Clint Rogers came for chickens -6 hens-averaged 7 lb.-@ 6¢. Had oysters for supper. Papa got me new harp. (20)

February 26th Wednesday

Throat better but head not. Beautiful spring day. In morning mamma ironed. Afternoon Eve and Pierce came. Told about Edwards visit to Liverty.- Thought it was recess.- Boy hunting start out of the

window—Sic Read class all day down
but me—did it renew while school took up
Mrs Pat and Paul came over. Mamma
scrubbed and I made kitchen. I went up
town this p.m. (5th) Bad market. (10¢) Finished
Graham glass in south window. Received
examination questions. Visited and did
not come. Joe's bought a piece east of the R.R.
February 27th. Thursday.
Beautiful day. I finished copying
my paper. Afternoon went over to Linds
and to Fiverty. (Children—a real like a
week of Easter.—Nearly 10 o'clock
Sister—Skates—Ornament paper from
Lizzie a pigpen.) Met Mr. Williams and
Mrs. Rupley. Got home rather late. Went
to bed—read—Wrote a letter to Opera House.
Got warm and it began to rain. Wrote
application to Library. Eyes hurt.

so bad, but saw on. Got Echoes News Sam Nellie Day's and Lena Spurgin's license in the paper.

February 28th. Friday.

Rainy day - quite warm. Started early for train - went to Carter's, Bond's and Wolf's for veil but didn't get any. Arrived in Waverly at eleven o'clock - lunch, cookies and crackers. - left marketing with Sophie, went up to Miss Lina's but she was away, - went on to town. - got veil, and spent afternoon in milliner's shop. Left veil for Miss Lina. Got to Grant's about five o'clock. Had bananas for supper and banana cake. After supper went up to the hall with Carl Lamb Hall and Elsie.

February 29th, 1896. Saturday.

Arose rather early. Got ready to go

went back part seven. Read over "Tessa"
worked up Transcript to see when there
was three Wed. that caused me to be
up. Up at 7 to the mill to see Frances
but was there. Back to Geo's. Annie
came down. Home to see Tessa's pics.
Packed for Stella and I to dinner.
Was glad to let Stella drive over, did
right well. Called a lady on the street
where the meeting was held tonight
we stop in the Post. Mr. Wheeler was
not taking. At noon I had Miss
Post Topsy & the Sweetpeas. Made
visits to see Mrs. Ward for Mrs.
Jones and Mrs. Wood wanted me to eat with
them. Went with Miss Post & Mrs.
Brown to the dance. Called in Bess
Post's Mrs. Neal, Miss Pike, Pike, Miss Wheeler
Miss Eyre, Miss Barrow. Mrs. Wheeler

Misses Etter, Mills, Ward, Range. At the
opening P. Afternoon session sang "Amer-
ica". Read Rev. 7 and 8 and Edwd to write
a sentence on blackboard. Mr. Mills
had the rule of one recitation in 3rd grade
in Carbondale school. — told me how he
over it. — passed it around to everybody.
Final ending after noon, wrote my paper. I
was not a bit nervous. After the reading
several questions were asked me. Mr. Mills
made quite a talk. Then spoke, and
he endorsed it "very good". Prof tried
to prove that "Unreal Index" is
as good as "Standard". Mr. Etter's rem on
"Science Teaching" was excellent.
Dr Allen, and Supt's talk on "Face to face
with pupils." Mr. Emery gave a good talk. The
Pupils of High School sang a closing
song each time. Ate dinner in the
Collection. 15¢ livery fee.

around and talked quite a while. We
got rolls and drove up to the corner. Ed
came over with me. Papa was out
there by our fields mowing. Went to Will's
mailed first here up, - saw Vera a
minute a little bit, - went to Mr. Bear's
till we had to start home. Went by
with Laura Belle Tabor, a little girl
was staying over, Laura and I slept
in Claude's and could hardly get to sleep
Talked & laughed. - Ed's came
- Ethel's. Bed at 1 o'clock.

Ethel 1st, 6 in Sunday

Gloomy day, rain most dreadfully
All Henry came to dinner was ready
Vera and Laura started about two o'clock
Ed and went to C.C. and Merle at night came
to see Ethel. They went to church in
the evening. Laura was staying over

Was sick Pig.

March 2nd. Monday.

Went to Waverly on 9:15 train; just had time to get my ticket. In Waverly I went first to the L. L. & B. depot and left package. - asked about the freight. - said it would leave at 11:15. Went to Miss Dixon's. Arrived at depot and learned that caboose was switched off the other side of Bluff Line. Started down track. Missed pocket book. - met Miss Lina - went around walk. - Noone in car but drummer. - Waited long time in Rowley and so on in Macon. - arrived at 2 P.M. Will Smith came in after me. Mrs. Perso me over. Set table. Had a nice visit. Put [illegible] - at a [illegible]. Received a letter from [illegible] 0.20 Ex. received on Thursday 25th

March 3rd. Tuesday.

Pretty in morning. Cold to snow.

Mamma washed. Ele and Eddie came
I wrote nearly allday. - wrote to Nellie J.
Lorana, Ida, - Mrs. Fanning was over.
Went over to Sift'ba could go with me
to Fred's, but she was going to Grandma's.
March 4th. Wednesday.
Pretty day. Mamma ironed. I did
housework and wrote ada wrote every-
wrote to Bertie, Pearl and Flower Val.
Bird was here. I cut out wax tape.
Mamma went to Vanwinkle. Met
Bowers on street. Tried to get wax tape,
tried to get apron sheet cut & sewed
Cut another tape and read & sat around
for fooling. Ben. Mart came. Started
pie for supper and Mr. & Mrs. Waites
came. Jennie came. Had real pleasant
time. Slept three in a bed.

March 5th Thursday.

I got up first. combed, swept and dusted front room. Got breakfast. Sat at table until papa had started with coal to the country. Straightened up the kitchen and then talked. Tess went away about noon. Did not get warm dinner. Showed Fannie how to make roses. learned how to make lilies. Went for the P.O. with Fannie — got the Gazette, letter from Ada and from Katie M Wood on my cape. Frank back got potatoes. Late retired to bed on rubber. I gathered eggs: got twenty three. Had supper and papa went up after mamma. It was raining a little. Uncle Tim is yet very low. We think he is improving. Auntie is not yet straightened up.

March 6th. 1896. Friday.

Fixed down in front room, ready to go. Put collar for my cape, and was trying it on when Harvey and Riffey came. Began loading wagon and Kiernan's brought some. Got started and tired horses out. Finished sale at Mr. Post's house. Then left Paw Paw with the rest of them. Late came mr. Manning & had coffee. Got two inches of coal from Lawrence. Beaver Creek ice cut two feet six but did not have much. Rained last night. Mercy 7th. Saturday.

Bright and pretty. Took tacks up of carpet in one upstairs room and all down stairs. Papa drove. Mamma packed dishes. I got ready and went up to Institute. Did a few orders and heard teachers recommended. Came, Tried

Mrs. Tolan had good papers
None would say anything in the dis-
cussion but Prof. Kennedy. (Joined with
Lillie Maxfield, Ed, Miss Stine, Fred
Mrs. Tolan, Miss Sinnet, Miss Tice, Miss
Steinmeyer.) Mr. Ewing don informed
the institute that music had been
prepared. Hurried home at noon.
Changed dress - finished packing trunk
and went over to Post's for dinner.
Two wagons came - Carr, Bird and
Earle. Finished loading and started
about two o'clock. After sweeping, we
went over to Mrs. P's and washed.
Mrs. Massa there. - Mrs. Farling
came. Started in about 20 minutes.
Wind quite chilly. Overtook Papa
near the Lowland Church. Other
wagons arrived shortly before us. Dor-

came over. Lizzie wanted us to stop there. Thoroughly disgusted with the house. Unloaded and carried most of the things in the house. Men all left. We had supper and went to bed. Was so tired could not go to sleep for some time. Night, clear and cold.

March 8th. Sunday.

Ground covered with snow & drifts. Blowing. Got up late, sat around all day. Tried to read but eyes hurt too much. Visited over Orton, and Hyde could not hear. Went to bed early.

March 9th Monday.

Washed dishes. swept bedroom - put down carpet - made bed - hung up clothes - got dinner. Mr. & Mrs. Atterson brought [illegible] things. - changed bed

tacked zinc over ceiling where plastering is off. Bird here for supper. Washed dishes while mamma set yeast. Went to bed early — 7:10). Ira came.

March 10th Tuesday.

Damp and chilly - sunshine part of the time. Men went to the timber. - Mamma stopped cat and mowed lawn. I washed kitchen ceiling. Had dinner about 1:00 o'clock. Washed dishes. - Mamma finished her morning's job. Lay down - got a rest. Men hauled two cultivators and trimmed trees. Mamma churned while I got supper and washed the dishes. Man came for Young's cows. ("evenings are getting a good deal shorter" — "I mean they're getting longer") Bird went away after supper. I wrote to

(over)

Bible Trindall. Went to bed at 9:30

March 11th. Wednesday

Very cold, windy, and snowing all day but none of it hit the ground. "Mamma" tacked tin" and washed the kitchen walls and I painted the Papa went for load of coal and got letter from Mr. Ester concerning program for next Institute. Bird was here for dinner. Took pants to the cleaners

March 12th. Thursday

Cold. Windy. Snowing. Bird came to town. Went carpet shopping. Bought 5 1/2 yards for two rugs for dining room and living room. Papa went over to Hebron. Bird went away on the evening train. After supper I wrote to Ida and Dan. Little Sonny

upset the fern and broke the flowerpot)

March 13th. Friday.

Pretty day. cold. Put up curtains in kitchen. Started to Mr. Longdale's about 2 o'clock; got there about four. Nellie was down to Ted's - Ollie still sick with throat trouble. Mrs. L. had been helping Willie move an old house. at supper laughed about "Heard lunch" on Friday. Talked of "Divine Healer". (Schrader) Girls told me about the literary. The Question — "Indian and Negro." Had the long interested dialogues. Trial, about Mr. Lilis's gate. Home to bed about 8:30.

March 14th Saturday.

Got up about five o'clock. Got ready to go to Central town. Rode to town with Mr. Longdale & Jess. Spent time to

school-house. Eight o'clock but no one there but Mr. Rigg. Five would ride Some pupils came, then Mr Solomon Miss Etta, more pupils, Mr Rudge more pupils. Belle came about nine Miss Mavan invited me back with her—promised to go there next time. Did not begin exam. until nine. Mr. Rigg would not have us grade papers as Supt. Meldrum had instructed. Mr. Rudge moved that we go ahead as we had to, regardless of what Bro. Rigg had said. Seconded the motion. Solomon & Belle voted but at that time Mr. Rigg brought more papers and said we had best divide each other a dictionary on the topic so we would have the papers evenly graded. We did so. Sometimes we got

off the "topics" but, nevertheless, it was Pigg's fault, not ours. Progressed slowly in morning. Belle and I did not get back until half past one. Padgett said we "should have severe punishment inflicted upon us, for being tardy". Got to work. - found funny things - "Daniel Webster made a dictionary." "Daniel Webster was first lawyer" (Belle thought "first" Beaver was) Padgett told of the Question Box; "who discovered the Wisconsin River? Mr. Brown discovered it." In analysis of sentence - "Will is a copula." asked Padgett if all "Will"s were copulas. Mr. Eddy came across the word - "multitude". Someone read "people were trying to "burgle" a house." "Did they burgle?" In Civil Gov't. Mr. Padgett came across this - "The Coroner

is for when anyone commits suicide or is found dead." ... When anyone finds a really dead. (prevaricated) story. "Lincoln was a savage." One of The Sister's pupils - John drew a terrible picture on History page we nearly hurt ourselves laughing - called Rita, "Is a rabbit from the mud grass that;" "That depends on whether it is meant for you or me. I'm sure it looks more like one than the other." In Reading paper, The Salesman called attention to insect (stag, ove, weevil etc.) & laughed so hard I had to leave the room. Sobered down and got to visiting Grades papers as long as could see. Mr. Rigg and Mr. Padgett going to Greek at Supper. Plays. Wrote and part of Chris's letter up to grade. Town pupils

made miserable with. Lovanna made the highest grade that was made on anything—99½ on Geography Ebert made the highest grade that was made in arithmetic—85. I rode home with Lou & Ebert. Told the folks how Pigg had done. Mr. Cosgare said Port Pigg's ears were burned from the blessing he was getting. Especially if all of the teachers hit him as hard as I did. Went to bed at ni. n. The writers at work. Mama Etna & Fe a Neal, Nellie, Mr. Cosgare, Mr. Range, Ewell & Milton and then Mr. Range is fully convinced that Vertical writing is the best. Showed me paper of testimonials. How trying to convert Milton Rule. It snowed fast all afternoon [about two inches deep.

March 15th Sunday.

Arose early. Rainy day. Looked up a few words in International. Ed came up and stopped in. Started home about ten. - arrived at noon. Letters from Allie and Jessie Tucker. Pa's sent them over Friday. Ed gone away in his sleigh. After supper I wrote to Mr. Etter and to Katie Murray. Went to bed at 9:50.

Fitzgerald was buried today.

March 16th. Monday.

Right away after breakfast I wrote another letter to Mr. Etter & finished the other one. Sent it by Tina Fox. Ed to Linden to sell his hogs did not sell. Papa chopped wood. Mama tinned the kitchen oven. Ed washed and papered large room. I fixed up my room. Ed arranged

them on the hooks. Fixed my table and hung up book shelf. Took books out of box. Fixed lining in my muff. Sewed down and brushed it. Washed supper dishes - covered big dictionary - played harp - read and talked about items in literary paper - went to bed at 9:45. Snowed this morning - did not amount to very much. Sun shone part of the time - not very cold - only to freezing. Papa and Bird put up a few strips of ceiling.

March 17th. Tuesday.

Made beds - swept kitchen - finished wrapping up - put new sheets on it. Copied psalm (that I read at Marietta) for Allie. After dinner I made two small yellow roses. Went to Addie's and played ha - after supper Bird and I

Papa and Bird put up ceiling bed
ladies three strips of having ...
Lauram came this mo ... yesterday) and took machinery. ...
ma's two ribs are still ... inflammation. I have fever blisters on ...
of my mouth.

March 15th Wed ...

Cloudy. Began sewing at ... ten o'clock and kept it up ... went to bed. Washed. ... not dry. Papa went after ... corn. After noon I looked over letters. Read School News. ... and I won two pounds of Maggie and Papa and Bird only one. No ...

March 16th Thursday

Cloudy - four below freezing, ground not very ... but white with snow. I

wrote to Bessie Tucker and finished Katie's letter. Afternoon - I studied the School Laws. Papa went to Barnesville but I was at home. Bird went to see about his part of hedge fence and brought note from Will Draper. Went to church at Oakdale got there just before dismissed. Had race on way home if it was muddy. Got home at 10:40. Went to bed at 11:30. Moon - Home.

March 20th Friday.

Clear and windy. Dried the clothes in morning and ironed afternoon. Butchered. - 275 lbs. - Early supper - Bird went away - Papa + mamma played dominoes. I looked over first six lessons in Algebra. - Wrote in Journal and retired at 8:45 o'clock. Mamma washed part

of walls in front room.

March 21st. Saturday.

Papa cut up meat. we ground sausage. I finished ironing. Mamma made cookies. I fixed stand table. Bird and Don went over to Billy's in forenoon. Bird said at noon that Ed and Nina are coming to-morrow. It was terribly windy, windy & cloudy, fine. Got papa letter from Ida; and a card from Ina telling grandma was at Kinton. They did fine. Elvert had small box to send, in the terrible fire. Sour Cora Weibert & Ed had everybody to-day to come from Dover for dinner. Packed with Ave and Eddie & received "Weary's Sermons" (160) to Ida, also sent Karl's and Bessie's to us. Don came along as I got home, and whitened ceiling. Papa and Ed went to Winder-

got paint and paper for front room. They laughed about the Greeks bearing electric bills.

March 22nd. Sunday.

Rainy day. Draper & Frank were here. played dominoes for dinner. ("Hurry up. I'm about to lay down." "Well, we can find you a good place if you feel like it.") Afternoon I wrote to Louanna. Bird came in and said Draper wanted to see me but I would'nt go in the other room. Went down to Higgs's.

March 23rd. Monday

Gray and wet with snow. Three below freezing. Painted ceiling-ceiled fireplace. washed windows and mantel work--rendered lard. Bird went to Virden--got more paint. (Good old Bird's faithfulness.) After supper prayer [illegible]

about pie, pumpkin-pie prizes. Told about "handing medical students up" - were handed 250 pounder reprimands.

March 28th. Saturday

Dark & stormy & very windy. Dried dishes talked & got ready for institute. Went to Baxter's. Took Dad "Spring Chestnut Burr." Laura Mae[illegible] & went up to K.U. then to Bank then to Trail. Only a few were present. Sue Louanna showed me her grades - below the average. Miss Hamilton & I went with Miss Ethel Mahan for dinner - nursed Mack before we had Board. Snowed for a little bit. Sun came out bright. Till going to have her picture taken. Louanna had time with rubbers. Went to Mitchell's. Ed came & finished up the real time gate. Went to Piggott's

8th in collection - for institute

got my trunk. Gave Dollie $4.00 for her father. started home 4:40. Met Bug & Del. Arrived in the moonlight. Dan opened the gate. I unhitched and unsaddled Bird helped bring my trunk in and put Bun up in the barn. Went to Nana's to dance

March 29th Sunday.

Mama received. I did all the housework. Papa had sick headache. Mama not quite so well. Bro and Lucie to Bible. Not many there - over one hundred. Copie "God's Infinite Love." Read some. Wrote out lesson. Lucie and Bro went to evening

March 30th Monday.

Pretty day. Washed. Ironed. Bet down & couldn't get to Nana's. Read in morning; afternoon & studied lesson. Did not go to meeting. Retired

to Fayge's – got two wonderful Papa sent for
coal – brought gasoline stove. Fixed out
beds in morning; afternoon we all went
to bed to sleep well. Snowed terrible
all night. Set first hen

March 21st Tuesday

Woken in morning by [illegible]
[illegible] Papa sent [illegible]
Brought wood in evening. Papa went
out [illegible] Mama in bed. Kept
[illegible] fixed [illegible] Put
shelf in stove tube and straightened
[illegible] Afternoon Papa [illegible]
[illegible] Papa [illegible]
[illegible] Papa [illegible]
[illegible] Papa [illegible]

April 1st Tuesday

Morning cold as ever. Swept all over
house. Washed [illegible] Made [illegible]
[illegible] Papa [illegible]

Wrote to Allie and Ida.

April 2nd. Thursday.

Colder wind blew perfect gale. Ile washed. Me ironed. Mended stockings. After supper, read "Laboratory Work in History." Lied went for Barney's mail but did'nt get it.

April 3rd. Friday.

Frost last night. I ironed. Mer brought hay then plowed. Washed spots off of tan shirt. Started to Girard - papa handed me mail - read Supt. Stone's letter - decided to go to Bartonville - came back, set out eggs and - oh yes, jug, changed dress and started again. Had delightful drive. Winding road, green hills and all Spring heads added to picturesqueness. Arrived at Uncle Will's for noon.

before six. Went immediately to the Court House. - Talked of school - located on map - referred to Normal - showed program -, also, outline for study - he wrote letter of introduction to Mr. Gooch and Board of Directors in Dist. 7, S.11, R. 7. (Christian and democrats) (Race before breakfast, next, as Geology comes at 7:45.) Went to Uncle's a while. Wrote home - letter. Went to Auntie's - my first visit in the new house. After supper, drew picture for Carl and heard him spell. Played checkers with Uncle. Went to bed about ten. Talked a long time. Supper with Georgia, Ida, Uncle, Auntie, Carl and me. Whenever she would come to a hard word, she would 'let me think', and look up to the ceiling (Uncle's) for it. Was a little wind, but

"Well, no, its yaller." — "I believe you are struck and he is too")

April 4th. Saturday.

Beautiful day. Got up late. Joe & Tommy Baker came while we were at breakfast. Tommy danced. Thos Hankins came. I added some to letter to Dick. (left it at Hill's.) Uncle Sol gave me little pup. Staid at Uncle Will's an hour or so. started home & met Mr. Will Bingham Brown — gave him Dick's letter. talked about school, and teacher's strap — decided to wait until a week from Monday — Spring — came home about one o'clock. Mrs. Fisher and Bird going to field — told me a all about trip. Joe put coat in the tent by me & he was after dinner fixed my tripod with Mamma mended pupil's — walked over

After supper tried to burn trash pile but it would not burn. Ham and I beat playing dominoes - $25,480.

April 5th. Sunday.

Beautiful day. Dora invited us over to dinner - folks went - I staid at home alone. Lanam and Carrie came & went on to Dora's. Had bread, butter and horseradish, and peach-pie for dinner. Ate it to Easter, had boiled eggs for breakfast. About 3 o'clock put on blue wrapper and went to Dora's. Warner's and Dora's there. Came home about 6 o'clock, stripped & got and dressed at Reed's new watch. Went to Oak Grove - defeated - reached - Everybody strange. Got home about 10 o'clock. (peach-pie and cream applause) Lost another hour's sleep. Got letter from Carrie.

April 6th. Monday.

Pretty day. Did up housework. Wrote to Lovanora. Mamma cut out black Sunnietta dress. Mr. plowed Bird's out ground. Mamma and I went to town. Got corset (60¢), Botany (90¢), clothes-brush (75¢), tan slippers ($2.00), picture and letter from Katie Murray. Took Mr. Beck's pencil. After supper Bird went away. Studied botany until 10 o'clock.

April 7th. Tuesday.

Colder. very windy. bright most of day. Mamma sewed on her dress. I looked over tablets and erased some writing from three of them. ready for Normal. Afternoon copied two songs in notebook. Took notion to go to Mr. Shroyer's. Barney was harnessed, so I thought better not take him. Papa

went at noon to vote. Men plowed Bird's oat's ground. I studied Botany afternoon. Bird went to Billy's. John & Eva were there – election – votes cast out. Dorr brought package for Bird to wear

April 8th Wednesday

Chilly, damp, wind, drizzled nearly all day. Read "Matter and Method in History" aloud. Bird went to Warner's. Papa fixed lock on my trunk. Afternoon, mamma sewed, papa read, Bird greased harness, I used dictionary in study of Cowper's poem – "School Boy and The Orchard". – Got 49 eggs this last week. Placed darkness – their 500 to our 470.

April 9th Thursday

Chilly, damp, cloudy. Windy. Went to procure boarding place. Encircled

I baked spice cookies.
my first attempt – at C. B. & Q.'s, $8 per month.
Roads quite muddy; arrived as it was
getting dusk. Papa planted potatoes in
afternoon. Bird and Ben hard hedge
April 10th. Friday.
Got up tolerably early. Still windy
not very bright. Started to Grand Ivy
six o'clock. Had chat with C. B. & Q. Talked
to Laura. She went with me. Talked about
Institute – Mr. Norman's $1.75 – Book
duties – Will Tice's wedding. (In exam
"Have every thing you can – in short
Africa examines S. A." Ans. "Africa would
look more like S. A. if it stuck out on
the other side".) Paid taxes – got pen
in toilet. Afternoon, studied and
read preparing for next week. Ripped
and sewed trim on sailor. After supper
studied Morgan's Pedagogy and out
Got card from Louanna.

lined topics for the week in General Work and Opening Ex. Went to bed 10:30.

April 11th Saturday

Bright and windy. To Para we went to town. Bird roved oats in the pasture. Mamma baked plum and cherry pies. Afternoon Lizzie came up. I mended trousers for school. Got letter from Allie. Went down to Hi's and got embroidery handkerchief - she found it at the gate. Bird went away before supper. Turned very warm - summerlike

April 12th Sunday

Excessively windy. Packed my trunk got ready to go and had dinner before twelve. Nearly ready to go when Bird and Fanatic Staples came - got dinner for them - left

about 1 o'clock - arrived at 2:30. Home at home. Came in and looked over Course of study. John came about five. Talked of school and directors. Had cocoa supper - retired at eight.

April 13th. Monday.

Had breakfast about six. Brought Minnie into my room - window dresses. Started to school at 7:30. Stopped at Mr. Brown's for key. Directors and Mr. Leach came. Drew up contract. Had dirty, dirty floor to sweep with an old broom. School room is small, almost playhouse. No school supplies but chart. The blackboard is made of fence-boards plastering partly off of ceiling. No maps except two - Ill. & Co. that are drawn with chalk on the

plastering. The only decoration is a faded flag in N.E. corner of room. Improvements over former location are; well, good teacher's desk, and handy coalhouse. Good interest. Children were polite, all said "Good Morning" and "Goodnight". came home about five. After supper talked to Normal schools. - Arith. and Spell. Retired at 10:30.

April 14th. Tuesday

Bright and still. Wind came up about 8 o'clock and by noon was strong. Ettie went to Mr. Jenkins's. Had three new pupils - two girls, one boy. Put song on the board - "Learning is Knowledge". Children were pleased with song. (In trying to develop "t" - It is something like toffee, some folks put sugar and

cream in it — Am. Quinine.) Alva and Ray came home with the folks. Wrote to girls and began letter to Katie P.L. Went to bed at 9:30.

April 15th. Wednesday.

Bright and windy. Everybody at school. had good school. Came home early. Ray had sick-headache. Nina E. Clark was here. I studied lesson in botany and read "Educational Independent." Retired at 9:30. Quite warm.

April 16th. Thursday.

Pretty day - windy - little warmer than yesterday. 72 absences. Had a quite a time to teach Hartman the letter "t"; but finally succeeded. Children pulled weed grass and weeds and made playhouses. Gave extra recess and washed blackboards and desks. (That was the same word what I had to-morrow. Herman.)

Rewrote song. Moved two seats, from back of room, to in front of stove. As came by, had chat with Mr. Brown — Miss Toth, sounds of letters, like teacher. — Mrs. Coulee took Ray home, home from school 6:30. Wrote up journal. Got disrupted tab so long write over history of Ruby family. Retired 9 o.

April 12th Friday

Cloudy and Still. Rose, washed, dressed myself. Went to school. Everything went pleasantly. Practiced; put on other board. Put out flag. Was absent. Did work — chart and Reader. At noon, dressed and ate my dinner. Home at noon to dinner. Did school work this noon, recommenced 1st hour. Had card supper. Read and wrote. Finished sa

ing. Sait c. in through door to see to that good." Louie behind cupboard. Took part of Fan's off of his shoe - went to bed after prayers. - hunted for tacks. Party, out, over at Bruce's, sweet meats, apples, Race for door. Rained at ten.

April 13th. Saturday.

Not so windy as usual - bright sun. Swept all over house - repasted paper in the front room. - set all but three of the plants out of doors. Went to town - afternoon - got 4 yds. of calico[12¢] and set of side combs[15¢] and Carr's mail. Stopped at Viola's. She was sick - Myrtle there. Talked of school directors and teachers. school tax - Marion Gibson's 17 reasons for leaving the Pleasant church. After supper I read Morgan's Pedagogy. Bird went to church. Emailed letters to Allie and (Viola told about little Searey boy wanting one of Will's names)

Katie Murray today.

April 19th. Sunday.

Rained last night. Cloudy. Mamma and I read papers. Papa and Bird went to Billy's. Had early dinner. Took Bird down to open the gate. Roads nice slippery in a few places. Everything looked fresh and blooming - so many redbuds. Arrived about three o'clock. Not at home. Curled hair and read papers. Folks came about 7:30. Oliver went out to Kilwood after supper about 8 o'clock - sat at table and talked for two hours. - Annie A. - early marriages. Kippy's leap year going fast - and last one for eight years - a red headed girl's decision race for farm. - Retired at eleven.

Left Sophia at home.

April 20th Monday.

Cloudy in morning - windy.

put out flag but took it down before school began. Three tardy - two absent and three new pupils. Had excellent school. Drew song on board "Summer Time". Children sang nicely. Cleared off and no rain. Played B. Man at noon. Boys tried to catch ground squirrels. Talked with Mr. Brown as I came past. Very much warmer. Warm weather where I've been." "It's warm here too but I was thinking if I was Brown's wife, I'd object to his staying in the garden of an evening".] Retired at 10:45.

April 21st. Tuesday

Had hard, very hard rain last night: hailed a little. Rainy day - windy not so warm as usual. Finished Nellie's letter and sent it with Miss Rickenbaugh's by Oliver as he went to Palmyra. Ora at

school before me. Three absent - two tardy had new pupil. Commenced going home to dinner. Had good school - chant on doing fine. John went over to Mr Lonie's after Oliver; they came about 1. Before supper I took a walk on the foot of the bed. After supper dried the dishes was pretty hungry. - sun tucks in calico skirt.

April 22nd. Wednesday

Pretty day. - nearly cold. Bef. to school, hemmed towel to take. Put up flag. Had long recess and played "Black Man to warm us. One new pupil - Herbert Crouch - (fifteen years old and did n't know how much more). Two absent. Some children brought me roses. Good school. Gave children names of County officers to learn for

next Wednesday. Took a nap on couch after school. Studied Botany. Dried dishes. Oliver brought Carlinville paper - Aunt Nan Davis married: also Maybelle Clark and Herschel Decker. Louanna gone to Jacksonville. - Oliver brought two big onions. Talked of Encyclopaedia. Retired at 10 p.m.

April 23rd. Thursday.

Windy in the morning. Sprinkled before school time. took dinner. pretty day - had fire - turned warm four children absent - five tardy. Read new song - "Learn a little Every Day". Children played round "for and a cent." Walter got hedge switch for me. Floor clean and did not sweep. Came by asked Mr. Brown to get broom. Studied Botany. Took nap on

floor before supper. Not feeling very fine - drowsy. Retired at 9:30.

April 24th Friday.

Beautiful day. Four pupils present. Had good school. Classes getting along quite well with phonics. Especially Chart class. Grover still on same lesson. Chart class's writing much improved. Sewed lace on blue sateen and wore it. Put up two pictures in front of room. Was surprised when mamma drove up as school was dismissed. Came in Bird's buggy. Did about same one calling for me. Got home and unhitched before the men came. Folks all went to bed early. I sat in door and played for a long time.

April 25th Saturday.

Pretty day, not so bright as Fri. Did house work, ironed, trimmed Mamma's hat, and made my waist. Papa went after his roller. Lillie sick. Bertha there. Could'nt find jar of pickles. Thacher must have money - left $15 for him. Papa got home late. brought nice long letter from Nellie Longate two school journals and the papers. Mamma let mine lie. Bird went to the party. Fleas so bad can hardly live. Read until half past ten.

April 26th Sunday.

Cloudy in morning - sprinkled. Papa and Bird put in new pump-stalk. Bird told me about the party at Wooley's. Said it was P.P. that came, but rubber from old wringer, for peneralls. Wrote to Nellie "Western Teachers."

Had baked chicken for dinner. Went
left soon after breakfast. Cleared off
afternoon - started over here at 1:30;
arrived at 3:30. No one at home. Un-
packed valise and copied last week's
journal in the book. John came back
about six. I took a nap on couch. Folks
came after seven - told about meeting
at Hickory Point; debate on town-hall.

April 27th. Monday.

Clear and still. Folks all went
away. Took dinner. Wind came up
before noon but not so strong as usual.
Had two new pupils. - Six about to
go over to the new lesson. Harry cried
to go home and see his papa. (Before
school he told me about Louisa
all going to Arkansas. Folks don't do
down this way.) Take the dogs to keep the

niagers out of the house.) Ora had the tooth-ache. My head began hurting about three o'clock. - lay down soon as came home. Had supper after eight. Talked of vacations. - tramps. Retired at 10:00.

April 28th. Tuesday.

Warm, windy and rainy. Evening. Four pupils absent. Had good school. Took long down at noon. As came past where Browns were setting out trees stopped a bit - dirt bean - talked of school-teachers, applications for winter term. Supper at 8 o'clock; went to bed at 10

April 29th. Wednesday.

Heard rain last night. Part of day sunny. Mrs. B. took me to school. Had nine pupils. Sang "Three Blind Mice." Last recess played "Fruit Basket." Mr. Kelley

came for his children. Came home and studied botany and finished waist & sewed it to my skirt. To tea at 10 o'clock. Took dinner. Rained hard at last night

April 30th. Thursday.

Clear, cool and windy. Breakfast at 6.30. Large piece came off of my tooth last night. Beautiful day - Only eight pupils but excellent school. Told the story of Daniel's First Case, at last recess. Gave extra lesson; studied botany a little. Began sampler. Read "Romance of Colorado" and Bret Harte's Tales. Retired 10.25.

1 May 1st. Friday.

Rain in the morning - cleared off and turned warm. Violets did not come to-day. Took dinner. At noon went down to R.R. and gathered some

ses. - five large bouquets. Read drawing-
pup. - and recitations. Came home early.
Thought would have to stay over. Mam-
ma came about 4:30. Read here to Girard
Got home about 7. After supper Bird went
to Riley's for timber to fix planter and to
get brother - had it churned. Tried to study
Botany but was too sleepy to do it so de-
cided to go to bed. Got home from school
and came to attend Lec. Normal.

May 2nd. Saturday

Got up early - made beds before break-
fast. Cloudy. Got ready and started about
eight o'clock to apply for school. To Mr.
Warne's. Mrs. W. came out to gate. Went
with me up in field. - spoke favorably.
Did dressed and went with me. Next
to see Williams. Went across to where
he was planting corn. Next, to see Mr

Howards but he was gone. (Our model houses – large and small rooms.) Got home about half past ten. Ironed until noon. finished ironing after dinner and went to town. Talked with Newins Carnalie. Saw Gemma. Got letter from Katie M. (Carr's & Sanders's mail) bottle of mucilage (10¢) two colored pencils (5¢) & envelopes. Ate some home. met Ethel. (Viola letter. Viola and Jim Shuck stealing corn; Mr. Carr & wife parking; school-time.) Met Mrs. Beckner, told about children all having measles. Harvey and Ada about with chickens just taking. (Bertha's pony – School, last winter and winter before last.) Got home about 6:30. Mrs. Carr & Howards called. Got nearly undressed when Bird came & took Emily Carlin supper. – Bird & Dow went to Wilder. At table talked about "new language"

pretty dress, barefooted, Johnnie & the pup. hair done up in the latest; I went to a party at Coots'. Had nice time. Met Mr. Ed Coe (Fred, Bert, Charlie Stutzman, Bob H. Bob W. Allan Eds Lin b. Charlie W. Charlie S. Jess. Cora & Lu J., Matie, Mable, Miss Maxfield, Ethel, Annie, Miss Emmett.) Played everything in the kitchen. Got home at 12:40.

May 3rd. Sunday.

Pretty day. Bird went away before noon. Papa went to Billy's. I swept all over house. Started to church 11:45; arrived at 4:15. Met folks going from baptizing. Straightened up the house. Oliver's came about 8. Went to bed at nine. There were 20 in all. Over 600 people out at one epoch. I had had a time.

May 4th. Monday.

Pretty day. Had nice school. One new

pupil. Took dinner. Folk's went to Mrs. Hoover's funeral. Came back late. I studied botany. At noon and after school I wrote off speeches. Retired at 9:30.

May 5th. Tuesday.

Beautiful day, - quite warm. Two new pupils. Excellent school - pretty singing. Chart class doing fine. After school, gave extra supp. moved my table to side of the room, colored morning-glory vine. came home 6 o'clock. Studied botany. Out of coal oil.

May 6th. Wednesday.

Beautiful day, warmer. - 15 pupils at school. getting along nicely. Grover came to spell, "beautiful." Taught chart class "If you've tried etc." After school wrote and colored two mottoes on front wall. "Little by Little" and a "Word and Ill ". Came home 6:20. Fatima for dinner.

studied botany. Walked some more to girls. Laird at half past eight.

May 7th. Thursday.

Clear and pleasant. Read lesson before school. Quite warm but cool breeze. Played school with children. Came home about five, eat popcorn balls and studied botany. Traded specimens. Heard Estella and Carl sing 7th & 8th

May 8th Friday.

Sunny and hot. Good school. Had new song - Chant to a Robin. After recess, drew pretty square. Sang two songs before dismissal - made school flowering. Mamma came. Started home at half past four. Letters here from girls, Nellie and Louanna, all great long newsy letters. Louanna made grade of 89 4/9 and Delbert 82 1/3. Nellie told all

about school and everything. After supper wrote to Louanna. To bed 10:30.

May 9th. Saturday.

Stirred up beds, wrote little more to girls and went to town - mailed letters, obs, application to Williams. Took Mrs. Reynolds rhubarb. Got stamps (.20), Geology (1.20), envelopes (.10), tablet (.04), schedules (.00). Saw Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Sanders and Mart Kitzmiller. Got home at eleven. After dinner washed dishes, canned asparagus and strained some jam it. Studied botany. Made up post cards. This was hottest day of the season. In bed at 9:15. Bird went to Virdens to stay all night.

May 10th. Sunday.

Clear and hot. - cool breeze. Did some work. Went to Eversly. - quite a number there - good sermon - 7 on the gospel

of our Lord came not in word, only, but in spirit." Neales all around. got over here a quarter after four. Fabis came after eight. Read Normal Instructor and wrote to Nellie. To bed at 10.

May 11th. Monday.

Threatening rain - big rain passed around. Had nice school, tho' several were absent. Maud missed for the first. At noon children drew squares in tablets and colored them at recess. Irra sent me word that she must stop school. Ira and Emma brought me flowers - roses and cataracts. - Came home early. - studied zoology for an hour and a half. To bed 9:30.

May 12th. Tuesday.

Clear and warm. Only nine pupils. Wrote another stanza to song.

Cra invited me to go home with her. Drew and colored pictures for Agnes Walton and Nelia. Last day of 1st mo. Brought register home and made out schedule. Talked with Mr. & Mrs. Brown. Asked about getting off four days to do over to put in all of the time at home. Couldn't study much. To bed 9 o'clock.

May 13th. Wednesday

Cool breeze. Not very clear. Discussion about dating schedules. (beginning Apr. 13th and ending May 12th.) Only nine pupils. Drawing, all the rage. Went to Mr. Smith - forgot flag. - Changed Edith's seat. Children went to R.R. at noon. - Fancy bouquet of sweet williams. Cra and Fannie bring flowers from home. Fannie & Bouquet have the measles. Rained hard after school. Up to 4 o'clock. Left school (laughed out aloud saying "Yea!" (Finally)

for Mr. Brewer as went to school.

9 May 14th. Thursday.

Showers & sunshine - changed dress 15 min. - considerably cooler. Mr. Beach took us to school. Maud & Mable came. Sent Milton and William for kindling. Too warmed up. Children getting along nicely with diacritical marks. Chart, doing fine. Did not sweep. Some home today. Folks gone - eyes hurt too much to study - slept on floor of bedroom till supper time. Folks covered beans. To bed at 10:00.

9 May 15th. Friday.

Unsettled rain. Swept in morning. Very nine pupils. Came home to dinner. Read & answered:- Nellie Turndall, May Ina, and Mattie Whitmire married. Pupils tardies: Tony, [2] Jones, [3] Corley &

Prof Moore. Encyclopedias came. As went to school stopped to see about getting off last four days - directors willing for me to have that time. got order for 1st month's salary. Oliver went home told about Alfa Eater taking examination. Read fish for supper. Studied Zoology after supper. Eyes troubling. Read speeches at school. - I spoke. Nora came at last recess. Read new song - "Gathered Now." Told 9:20.

May 16th. Saturday.

Rained all night. Cleared off about noon. Sandell came. Studied under tree before breakfast. Read finished Kenilworth. Studied Zoology. Three in school. Nora not here. Spent evening examining Encyclopedias when Mamma came. Got ready and went to Dan

linville about 4:00 p.m. Rain came as we were in Gore district. Did not stop in town. Had supper before dark. Uncle Jim and Charlie went to town. It rained all night.

Rained like sixty.

May 12th. Sunday.

Got up late. Barney gone. Charlie went for us Powers. Uncle Jim took us to town. I went in to see Mrs. Harmon and Miss Scott. - bouquet. Went to Neil's. Mrs. Neil. Bright. Uncle Will is better. Walked up town the other day. Cabbage, steak & nice beans. Charlie came by. at 1:30, got us. Went to the Harmons. Fine. Mrs. Harmon. Jessie. Flowers. came and staid all night. Chicken soup and grub worm pudding. Wrote to Rose. Letter at ten. Pretty day.

May 8th. Monday.

Rained last night. Got up late. Rain shine & showers all day. Kim visited 10

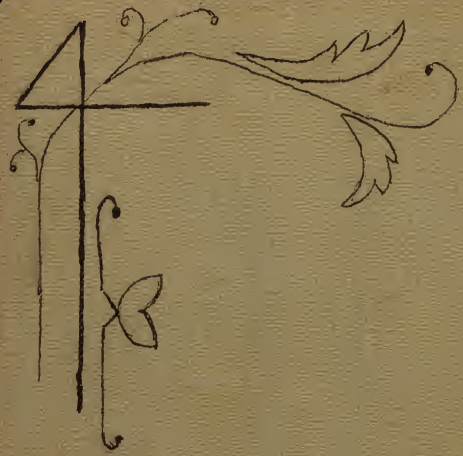
(Neil's sister's confirmation party girl)

min early. Nearly sick with cold. Poured
incessantly from 5 until after nine o'clock.
Mrs. A. & John brought in - little chickens.
thirty drowned. Large hail fell. Oliver was
in all of storm. Everything flooded. Said
papa had not found Barney. - ate dinner
at Minn's. Sent Lord's letter to town.

May 29th. Monday.

Rainy looking. Pansie really sick.
ed. Oliver brought me to town. Had the
pupils. Heath's came at noon - [illegible]
and Whelan - one of boys drowned. Ad Al-
ter Weller passed awful time [illegible]
Thos. Williams passed, then at last news
Neale was told it was [illegible]. Oliver
[illegible] to school [illegible]
coal. Ma. sick. Ate no dinner, and
went to bed with a. [illegible]
[illegible]

four o'clock. drowned about eleven. Tides
went out to Bacons. Fleety comparing
Diary. 11 o'clock I got up off of foot of
bed and went to bed. Ipsabel what time
my hand had quit hurting. Eleven.
Dad all night with Jean. Mother
hanging up over comforter from 11 on



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# Composition Book

Emma Wormwood
Hazel Green, Wis.

Hazel Green School.
District No. 2.
Sec. 3., T. 11, N., R. 8 W., 3rd P.M.

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August 31st 1895. Saturday.
Early in the morning, packed my trunk and grip and Mamma and I started to Palmyra. Arrived at Arah's about 11 o'clock. After dinner, in company with Arah, we started out to find a boarding place. Went first to Mr. E. Tongate's, then to Mr. Straub then back to Mr. T's. made arrangements for the present. Took Arah home, got my baggage and started back. On the way met Nell going to Carter's. Unloaded baggage and Mamma started homeward. Company came out from town. I was about sick.

September 1st. 1895. Sunday.
Arose about sunup, feeling about the same. Discovered that I had left my trunk key at home. After breakfast Mr. T. opened trunk with a coal chisel. Girls and I went to church (Christian) in morning. Evening, we all went. Had to fidget to keep awake.

September 2nd. Monday

After breakfast copied programme, and so on, preparatory to beginning school. Started to school at 7:40. Stopped at Mr. Strate's for key. Had dirty floor to sweep with an old broom. At 9:00 o'clock, rang bell, made a very short introductory, passed blank slips, assigned lessons and began work with 18 pupils present. At recess Mr. Strate came in to tell if anything was needed. Finished noon and dismissed at 3:35. A little discouraged also encouraged. Swept, brought in kindling shut up and came home. Before I swept I sat down to rest and look over examination papers. First thing when I came home, went to the organ, came in and lay down on the floor to rest, lighted lamp and wrote in this book. called to supper. Supper is over. going to look over the

(While sweeping, I broke my chain.)
manual and go to bed. Arlene
September 3rd. Tuesday.

After breakfast, busied myself with school work until 7:45 when I started to school. Had two new pupils. At close of school announced the change of books. Three mischievous boys created a little disturbance. Know all the pupils by name. Feeling better not so tired. After sweeping I got a bucket of coal; then, as raindrops began to fall, I started home. Today was bright as yesterday, but much warmer and the wind blew quite strong. Got letters from Ida and Bess. Rained at night

September 4th. Wednesday.

Cooler in the morning but warmed warmer. Wore worsted dress. Pretty day. Quite tired. After supper I finished a letter to Katie. Rosa went home at noon to go to the funeral. Mrs. Lawrence came home with

the folks. The directors put up the flagpole. K. I. spoke for his books.

September 5th. Thursday.

Bright and warm. School O.K. After school Mamie came over to tell me the flag had come. Saw Mr. Strate and spoke about the room. Was looking over histories and did not start home until six o'clock; Nellie came to meet me.

September 6th Friday.

Sun came out bright but it looked rainy. About 6:40 o'clock A.M. a black cloud began rising in the N.W. and soon covered the sky. Blew and rained very hard. Took me to school in the cart. Mamie and Charlie were there in the morning. Afternoon four more came. At noon Mr. Strate put up the flag. Had perfect order and good lessons. Didn't have to sweep, came home early. Too muddy to go home.

After supper Messrs Strate, King & Burns came. Ordered books.

September 7th Saturday

When breakfast was over, wrote letter home. Mamma came at 10:30. Got ready to go home. Arrived at 1:45. Stopped at P.O. on way. Got photograph from Gypsum Ohio. Pet Crow came. Played croquet. Mamma made plum jelly and canned pears.

September 8th Sunday.

Pretty warm day. Mamma and Allie brought me over here. We came the hilly road. They started back about 4 o'clock. Mr. Joe Neil was here. Girls were gone to S.S. Mr. J. had gone to Apple Creek Association.

September 9th Monday.

Cloudy in morning. Afternoon the sun shone brightly. Morning exercise — Read "Flag law". Nineteen pupils at school. Very tired in evening.

Orah and Stella called.

September 10th Tuesday.

Very warm. Nineteen pupils at school. Sang, "Learn a little Every Day". Came home early. Drank some new cider. At supper, laughed about "The old Bear" and "Watermelons".

September 11th Wednesday.

Hazy looking but warm. Must go to school early and sweep. Too hot to study. Two new pupils. Came home early - Threshers were waiting for the machine. (The man who keeps the Restaurant sits up "like a toad before a thunder-shower".

September 12th Thursday.

Hot as ever. Came home and went to the orchard - tasted winter apples. Went to party at Miss Myrtle King's. About 65 or 70 quite present. Played floor games. All seemed to enjoy themselves. Met quite a number of

people. I wore my tan skirt and white waist. Charlie Allen and Ora Miller waltzed. After I went to bed, I realized I had tasted too many winter apples; did not rest good all night.

September 13th Friday.

Much cooler, almost chilly. I took some soda before breakfast. Am feeling better. Not as sick could be. Allie and Ida visited Orah's and came for me. Papa was helping Shaud thresh. Mamma canned pears, made pear butter, and preserves.

September 14th Saturday.

Bright and warm. Water was sick. Papa went to thresh. Mamma and I went to Girard. I got blue sateen dress. Put out and made my dress afternoon. Hap finished putting her quilt together. (Is Vance about? Yes, he hitched up to the buggy and went somewhere. - Papa

wanted to know why you did'nt put the horse in the field. - What did you have in this basket? About eleven this morning.) While we were at supper someone called. Conn cutter staid all night.

September 15th Sunday.

We were all tired. Bright and hot. At 12:30 Mamma and I started over here. Got here at half past three. Mrs. Stiles and son were here. I had the headache.

September 16th Monday.

Hard rain last night Fresh and pleasant this morning. Teek girls went to school before I did. Lou started to school. Had difficulty over seat. Made change in desks. Had two hard showers. Called on Mrs. Strate. After supper, wrote to Miss Snow, and commenced a letter to Bess.

September 17th Tuesday.

Very warm. Thermometer above 90° in the shade. Good attendance at school. Mr. Strate came before school and fastened the two seats down. Good order as could be expected. Much encouraged. After supper, finished letter to Bess. Read some in Vicar of Wakefield. Talked about ostrich, sponge, etc. Warm all night.

September 18th. Wednesday.

Clear and warm. - gentle breeze from the S.W. Had twenty pupils. Hottest day of the season. After supper studied about insects.

September 19th. Thursday.

Hot and sunny. Good cool breeze from the S.W. Folks went to Mr. Chas. Longate's. In History class Stella and John had to sit on bench in front of class. B. Smith had analysis. (In Geog. St.: Who are our antipodes? Stella: People that live on the other side of the road.

Which way do parallels extend: east and west or north and south? Ans. I don't believe they are either way. After school, emptied desk drawer and gave an extra sweep. Got home at 6 o'clock. Folks not back yet. Dollie did'nt come.

September 20th. Friday.

Hot, but wind was strong and cool. Several absences. Sang "Marching song." Looked for folks but was disappointed. Had watermelon.

September 21st Saturday.

Clover hullers came - left before dinner (all but three.) Finished my sateen dress in morning. Went to Palmyra afternoon. got Stamps, and handkerchiefs. Mailed letters to Bess and Miss Snow. Went to Orah's and to Mrs. Stultz's. Had loveliest watermelon of the season. Got home at six oclock. Joe Neil was here. After supper, played dominoes.

September 22nd Sunday.

Very warm. Strong wind blowing. Wrote to Prof. Davis and tore the letter up. About 1 o'clock went down in the orchard and got some apples. After dinner read some from "Poetical Selection" Took nap in chair - nearly broke my neck. Dollie played and sang. Wind got stronger and cold; had a good shower about 7 o'clock. After supper made out Eng. questions. At dinner table - laughed about the "Lost Cape". "If we'd just had that the other night!" At supper, - Sam told of Mr. Hoover's acute taste - tasted chinch-bugs in eggs. Longest day I ever knew.

September 23rd. Monday.

Cold and cloudy. Sam came out about 8 o'clock. Had fire all day. 22 pupils present. One new pupil. Began with writing.

September 24th. Tuesday.

Cloudy and cold - 48° above 0. Curled my bangs. Made diagram of earth representing different positions at different seasons. Mrs Stulte and Bertha Challacombe staid all night

September 25th Wednesday

Mrs. S., Dollie and Mary went to State Fair. Roy started to School. I drew diagram on the board, showing position of earth each month. Nellie and Bertha got supper. (Sam and the two bites of bread.) (big potatoes) Bertha visited school.

September 26th Thursday.

Got in the notion to go to the fair: Got out of it again. Mr. J. and Nellie went. I put up new program. Played football and sprained my thumb. Lillie invited me to the "Musicale. Put" sights - "Old man feeding a dog". Soap statue. Big pump

Lein. doilers

September 27th Friday.

So cold as it was necessary for a fire. As I went to school, Mr. King told me of the arrival of the new books. At noon the books were brought. Irwin came to school. Did nothing but change books. Giles came for me to go home. Started about half-past four. Told Irwin I could not be present at musicale. Mamma had some Japanese Squash cooked. I tasted it before she took it up. I am told me about "chickens will roost."

September 28th, Saturday.

In the morning, played croquet. Mrs. Thacher & Logan came after plums. Took Alice & Ida to town. Got letter from Katie Murray. Got two schedules. Ordered International Dictionary. Stopped at Tibbles.

September 29th. Sunday

Got things ready to go to Palmyra then hurried away to Fannie's. Had a

good visit. They got dinner early. Mama came before eleven o'clock. We staid for dinner, and Fannie came with us. Mrs. Davis was here. In evening we called on Mrs. Baptist. Sam just got back from the Fair.

September 30th Monday.

Went to school at seven o'clock. Swept, built fire, and straightened up. Two new pupils. Had very tiresome day. Big frost last night. Last day of 1st month.

October 1st Tuesday.

Sang, "Learn a little Every day." Played foot-ball. Had lesson in the Fifth Reader. Pretty day.

October 2nd Wednesday.

Morning of the Picnic in Palmyra. Bright and cool. Had about fifteen pupils. Joe Baptist and Stella Farmer spent the day at school. Joe Neil came by and invited me to party at Mr. Will Young's, on Thurs. following. Folks all gone to the picnic

when I got home. Nellie and I went to see how Mr. Peek was. He was quite sick.

October 3rd Thursday.

Pupils all present but Lillie. Sang "Marching Song," best music we've had. Lou sang alto and Irwin, bass. Roy and Irwin acted a little contrary. Gave them a lecturing; I. at recess and R. after school. Sent Schedule, and list of articles needed, to Clerk of Board.

October 4th Friday.

All the pupils at school in the morning but John. Nellie & Mamie went nutting afternoon. Played football at noon. Elbert and Will came at noon and again at recess, and played. Gave Lou change for 5th Read. Came home as Lillie did. Mr. & Mrs. Farmer here. Looked for folks but was disappointed. Sam told Dollie and I about the party to be at Grant King's next Wed. night. Got letters from Pearl W. and Gertie Ewing

October 5th Saturday

Arose early. Morning cloudy. I wrote to Katie and to Jennie Ewing. Mr. Wm Fletcher came for dinner. The girls shelled hazel nuts. Afternoon Dolly, Nellie, Sam, Mary and I shelled hazel nuts. Salted me down. Sam would nt be called red-headed.

October 6th. Sunday.

Rainy and cold. Looked at Phrenology chart and studied the explanation. Afternoon Mr. and Mrs Peak came. Joe Neal and Will Draper came by. Mr. & Mrs. Stults came while we were at the supper table. Dolly was praising and Mary and I were singing when Peaks came. Mr. J. gave me the reverend 3d Book

Charlie Roberts was 18 years old.

October 7th Monday

Read two new pupils (Elbert & Will.)

October 9th Wednesday

Had such a good school nearly every body had good lessons. Came home

rather late. Mrs. Stults and Cora were here. Lou and Elbert came by and we all went to the party. Had a real nice time. Would have been better if those Smarties from town had nit come. Lou and I went to look in at the window. Mrs. Baptist and Irvin went to look in at the window. Saw several that I met at the other party. "Where have you been hiding yourself." He asked what my guess was. Told the wonderful adventure. Myst Bowman spanked Barnardale. Got home before 12.

October 10th. Thursday.

Bessie Longate came to school with Libbie. Children fairly tried themselves. Sang "Gathered Now." Was much disheartened. After school was out lay down in the seat and rested. Most everyone failed to know the lesson. It is eight o'clock I am going to bed. This evening I sent schedule and a note to Ella Berry.

October 11th Friday.

Pretty in morning. Sang the songs. Rained at noon. Children played stage-coach. Bert brought the back and I fixed it to send to Mr. J. but forgot it. Had good lessons. Read 1st chapter of "Persimmons". Pleased with result. Mamma and Allie came. John said "when the word came to Ben, he spelled it b-u-i-s-c-u-i-t and the teacher told him it was right". Started home at 4 o'clock. Stopped in Girard and got my new dictionary. The bridge was unsafe so we went around by Bernard's. Folks had eaten supper.

October 12th Saturday.

Ida and I went to town. I paid for my dictionary ($2.25). Got a pair of heel shots, and a blue felt sailor. We played croquet after dinner. I covered my history and Rauh's Arithmetic

October 13th Sunday.

Papa fixed my curler handles. I made cream candy. Curled my hair and got ready to come over here before dinner. Started at 12 o'clock. Came the short road. forded the creek. Arrived at half past two. Watered Tom and rested about 20 minutes. None at home when I came. Saw Lou pass. The folks came after dark, I had lamp lighted and fire started.

October 14th Monday.

Had 26 pupils. Children played Blackman. Recite a number have called good lessons and order. Billie invited me to a party Saturday night. Ina told me of their stopping for apples yesterday evening. Mr. Sam Smith was here for supper. After supper studied Civil Govt.

October 15th Tuesday.

Nearly everybody at school.

Sang "marchmarch." Saw Frank Sells. Ike and Golding were taking home some horses. Sent schedule to Roy.

October 16th. Wednesday.

Cool in morning. Sun came out warm. Wind blew quite strong. Harvest.

October 17th Thursday.

Beautiful day; still mud pleasant. Ella absent. Ira was absent. Sang "Sweet Summer." Some pupils have colds. Have been sitting quite a ground and as a result, we have several colds. Quite a conversation among some of the larger pupils as to how they drew maps of North America. Ernest. Blanche went back to recitation. E. Spidel.

October 18th Friday.

Sang "Sweet Summer." Played ball after school. Read Chapter II of "Persimmons." Ira came about half past three. Told Lillie I would come back Sat. evening. Ira stayed and did

"Scattered." When we came to town we's they were frying onions. Mr Plaine's tea pup jumped up and barked. Eat home after folks had eaten supper.

October 19th Saturday.

In morning I trimmed my winter hat. After dinner Alice took me over as far as the saw mill. I got very chilly and wrapped up in the lap robe; after I got out to walk I got warm. Linda Mae was hard. Folks here had given me cash. Mr. and Mrs. Stults brought Nellie home. After supper we were getting ready to go to the party when Gotlob Lapp, aged 84 years and Fannie Eastmanie came. We were soon ready and started. Small crowd present. Had "cf. Lee" difference" time. Got home at 11:30. Edw. Wall watched for the next dress. Joe wanted to bring Tolly home

October 20th Sunday.

Went to S. S. Went home soon after breakfast. Sat up stove in sitting room. Went to C.E. Church. Dolly and I went home with Cora K. Went to S.S. and staid for Endeavor; had M.C.B. lead. Was walking. Went home with Mabel Evans (Persimmons) Dolly lost her mitten. Went to church at night. Rev Worth came home with us. (Wore my blue satin and new shoes) Froze ice last night.

October 21st Monday.

Went to school early - swept but it is. Had new pupil (30 enrolled now) Boys lost their ball at noon we helped hunt it. Got caught on hedge bush. Rained the letters. Clear and windy. Seemed unusually warm. Dr. is sick-had Dr.

October 22nd Tuesday.

P. Geographies class had poor lesson - was to recite after school. Sat

waited until next day at noon.
Mrs. Pratt came over to the hedge & threw apples to the pupils.
October 23rd. Wednesday.
Several absences. (In Chart class, Tell me something else that is black, Burt.--"Niggers".) (Nora's foot went to sleep.) Lillie invited me to the Bean-picking at Mr. Parker's. Polly is worse better.
October 24th. Thursday.
A rainy, colder than usual; wore my princess dress now and I went home with Lillie. Roger Ford (Collie), Louisa Kay, Charles Lowe, Ed McClure Lowe, Frank Mahaney, Mattie Lucia Lowe and I went to the "Bean-picking." (Tried to get me chewing gum.) (Nora rode to Lowe's on Ike's.) Ate an apple at the picking beans. Had scuffle over tin dockter.) Played with Whitehouse, Coppage, Bi-. Got home at 10 o'clock p.m. Got letter from Ida

October 25th Friday.

Lillie, Lou and Nellie were late. Read chapter III of Freshman's Roy, Stella & Jennie would not write. Told them I wanted to hear their spelling lesson before they went home. It was nine to twelve to get to eat pie first. Roused for the folks, but was disappointed. Went to bed before 8 o'clock.

October 26th. Saturday.

After breakfast, stirred up the beds and left them to air. Read in Historie. Took a bath. Wrote over letters that I have received since I came here. Had dinner at 12:30. After dinner Nellie and I went to Lou's. For Ma. and Pa had gone to town. Had a nice visit. Laughed over photographs. Lou told Elbert to put the boots on. Staid until nearly five; girls came more than half way home with us; met their folks and they went back home.

October 27th Sunday.

Very windy. did n't get up until after seven. Wrote to Anna Davis. Mr. Peak came in morning. While we were eating dinner Ed. D. came. After dinner Aunt Nan came. (Miss explanation of Blizzard's actions) I read "The Stoops to Conquer". Mr. J. says I must not mistreat his three folks. (smoke made my head ache.)

October 28th. Monday.

Colder than usual. Nearly every body at school. Mr. D. refused to obey. Saw Mr. Strate after school.

October 29th. Tuesday.

Still colder - sunny most of day. Things in same condition as yesterday. As I went home Mr. S. stopped me for a few words. I was most sick with a cold. Mad enough to bite a tenpenny nail in two. Got card from Ida and letter from Pearl.

October 30th. Wednesday.

Cold and cloudy. Went early to school, - swept, dusted and went over to Mr. Strate's. Abe and Mr. King came over to school. B. & P. got a little too smart. Charlie Coons was here yesterday and today, helping Mr. S.

October 31st, Thursday.

Had breakfast at half-past five; while we were still at the table we felt the floor jar and the middle door rattled. Mary asked who was shaking the table. I looked first at Nellie, then at her pa. Mr. S. said it was Miss U. and all believed it but me, and I thought it was himself. Went to school early. Mit Curt Gowin. Ellen Baptist asked if I felt the Earthquake shock. John thought I was had a chill. Walter asked his ma if it was going to get them. Lillie told me about John's runaway, tearing his buggy up

and frightening Aunt Jran's horse. It kept in the road and did no damage. All morning was cloudy, afternoon was sunny. looked like snow. Wind did not blow to day. Mr. J. went to town, got "Enquirer". Saw notice of Institute to be held Nov. 8th & 9th Can hardly wait for the time to come Mr. J. told of a Mr. McMahon hanging himself. After supper Nellie and I talked about "chums" at school. Nellie told about catching Will Riley the pants-breeks, and the folks in the other room were heard. I took a cathirine capsule and bathed my feet, then went to bed.

November 1st Friday.

Am so hoarse I can scarcely speak. Mary fixed some white of egg, sugar and vinegar, for my hoarseness. Clear, still and cold this morning. Was so hoarse I could not talk. Nellie heard the classes recite. Most of them.

Mamma came for me. I wore my new shoes. Changed my shoes, took another capsule, got an apple and started home by 4:15. Came through Milwood. Mamma told me about Barney getting frightened at the train, whirling around and falling in the ditch. Mamma was thrown out, & the buggy upset. Two men from Rutherford's came, got the horse up straightened up the buggy and harness which were considerably damaged, and Mamma came on home. She was not hurt in the least. The buggy was so impaired that the top had to be taken off and a new shaft put in. This occurred Sat. morning Oct 26th as Mamma came home, after taking the girls to the train. When we got home this evening it was 6:30 o'clock. "School News", "Western Teacher" and Examination questions, were here for me. Louis Burton is still boarding here. He gave

me some samples of woolen dress goods that he had found. I played some on Walter's harp. and went to bed.

November 2nd. Saturday.

I did'nt want to get up early so I slept until daylight. It is cold and windy. Kitzmiller's came for a load of straw. Two other men came for straw. Wrote to Allies Ida and to Pearl. After dinner Papa and I went to town. Got side combs for Nellie and calico for aprons shoes, stamps, envelopes and tip. Saw Nellie Coy, Shearer's, Ida Stine, Carrie Worch's Ed and Fred, Ed Swidens, Jane Verna. Bacon's Dee Bowersox and everybody else. Ed Wilson sold Snipes a sorrel pair. After supper, Mama crochet by lamplight. Papa hauled water today.

November 3rd. Sunday.

Wind is blowing very strong. I mended Papa's pair, made the beds and got ready to go back to Ida's.

Nov. was at home when I received some, but I was entitled to take a nap. They came about dark. Told me I missed seeing E and E by going home. Was to bed early.

November 4th. Monday.

Went early to school. Swept, and worked over spelling work. Toward evening I felt quite sick. At noon the pupils practised jumping; talked about Lyceums, and questions for debate – Resolved:- That a man should have $300. before marriage; and, Resolved "The word obey, should be struck out from the marriage vow." Talked of having a "Box Supper. Mr. S- told about "Phrenology" man and E.T. coming Wednesday eve. I went to bed soon after supper. Was sick at my stomach.

November 5th. Tuesday.

Had excellent school. Pupils played dare base. Was threatening rain. After

supper Nellie & I were looking up Geog. lesson. Went to bed at nine o'clock. Charlie Evans was here. (At supper talked of runaways. Lillie's - Mr. T's mules)

November 6th. Wednesday.

Very dark in the forenoon. all but two pupils present. Didn't start to school until 8 o'clock. John, Lewis & Elbert already there - put out flag and started fire. As it began to sprinkle, soon after school was dismissed, I did not wait to sweep. Elbert took the flag down. (I said that I was not a Dutchman - wanted to know what I was - Yankee.) Am afraid I will not get to go to Institute. Company that was expected, failed to come. Nellie tells me that she and Elbert expect to become lawyers, and are going to practice together.

November 7th. Thursday.

Cloudy and damp in morning. Just sprinkled a little last night. Sympathy for my disappointment. Had good day at school. After recess I read Chapter IV. of Persimmons. Mamma came. Sprinkled all the way home but simply poured, from Ed Neff's to Ed Barrick's. Went home in two hours. Nevin still there. After supper, mended stocking and read "Hoosier School-boy."

November 8th. Friday.

Raining! Papa took me to depot. Geo. W., Mrs. W., Miss Shake, Dad C. and Mr. Bohannan were waiting for the train. Girard & Virden teachers all on the train. Went first to Uncle Will's. He is very poorly. In 15 or 20 min., went to Court House. Enjoyed meeting with all the teachers. As is customary we have our Institute and storm. In spite of rain, had an excellent meet-

Went to Uncle Will's for dinner - took sicking. Was with Masterson girls, Katie Murray and Nora Taylor and Edna Mahan. At last recess Ed and Fred happened our way. Took us home. Went to Aunt Ella's for supper. Fred came early to go to lecture. Played and sang. Lecture was good. - short; well attended. Play in town. Flossie & Ida P sold tickets. Freddie promised to get E mit a girl if he would buy two tickets. Myrtle Utt got a gold watch for selling the most tickets

November 9th Saturday.

Snow! soon melted. Was with Nora all day. Talked with over-so-many teachers. Brennan explained classification register. Met Mr. Slater. Mr. McGuire remarked that I had rather gotten ahead of him - reference to me[illegible] in discussion of vertical writing. At recess Mr. Ewington came around and resumed the discussion.

So, also, did Mr. — I don't know who. institute more interesting than ever. Staid until nearly all had said good bye. Talked to Supt. of "Observation Work" and "Examination". Kindly suggestions. Everybody was looking so well. Very few teachers absent. After leaving the Court House, Nora and I called on Miss Snow, she was away. Went in to see Mrs. Swensen and son. Nora went most of the way home with me. She called on Mrs. Fanning. After supper she came by for me to go to the depot. Charlie went with us. Talked with Fred and Jake. Depot full of teachers (Mr. M- was there). On way home Fred, Guy, Nora and I discussed — Inglis, Trainer, Errington and Vertical Writing. G- and N- would have the window open. Nora got her foot against the register. Talked of the "Local Teacher's Meeting" to be held

some time within two months. Mr. Kennedy remarked to some one "Who is that lady? She is it married is she?" Katie Murray said "Good for you". Ed Wilson "That's a good one for McClure", Brennan "It reminded me of a love feast when they were praising the Supt's. and Pres". Nell, Mayme, and Katie remarked that "Somebody must be struck".

November 10th Sunday.

Rain over with. In morning made the beds, got ready to come over here. Papa & Louis played croquet. Walter painted notices. Started over here at 10:50; arrived at 2:50. Joe N. was here when I came, but left in a few minutes.

November 11th Monday.

Had good school. Rose took Irvin's books home. Saw Mr. Strate in regard to Exam. paper. Spoke to Elbert about acting as janitor. Announced examination. Nellie and Lillie went home with Roy. After supper I looked over questions and made a few alterations.

November 12th. Tuesday.

Everybody prepared with necessaries for "Exam". All but Kirwan and Charlie present. Highly pleased with papers. Yesterday boys asked Mr. Strate about having "Box Supper"; one week from

tonight. He consented. Asked me to oversee affair. Finished all exam. but reading. Elbert began his duties as janitor. Was very tired and retired before 7 p.m.

November 13th Wednesday.

Was cloudy. The ground froze hard last night and night before. A. Class took exam. in reading. Lillie told me that they wanted me to go to a surprise party that night. I said yes, but when she told the "conditions" I said I had to grade exam. papers. Drizzled nearly all day. After school, Lou and I talked about "Hazel Green Herald". Got classification blank from the Supt. Graded papers before going to school this morning. Large pupils played base ball. After supper, wrote to Mr. McClure concerning register. Wrote to Allie & Ida but did not finish. Graded a few papers.

November 14th Thursday.

Not so cold. Graded a few more papers. Started to school at 8:45 o'clock. Miss Fannie Guthrie came with Lillie. Had good school. Boy King came with Ollie and Burt. At noon, Mrs. Dikis and Otelia came. Lou went to Lillie's. Was'nt able to put on my rubbers. Had scuffle over apple, and came on home as the children all did. Graded more papers.

November 15th Friday.

Had good school. Gave grades to all that wanted them. Made arrangements, appointed committees, etc. for Box-supper; decided to postpone supper until Thursday evening. Went to Mr. Dikis's from school. Before supper Lou showed me Examination Questions, papers, grades, etc. While we were at the supper table, Boy, Jennie, Will and Kirwan came.

Soon, a wagon-load came. (John C. & Lillie, Roy, Milton, Everett, Stella, Ollie and Charlie) Cora King was out visiting and Dollie and Willie did not come. During the reading of the story, had to stop and laugh, Ruben Simon sat down on "Sweet Marie". Played "Evening Walk", "Clap in and clap out." Next on program was charades. "Cyclone." "Fanning-Mill." "Galveston." "Bill" "Brown's Jubilee March." "Investigate" Next was music. Then played "Take home what you borrow." (Are you going home this evening? If you'll take me) Roy took a big bite of onion. Went out to the gate to see them off. Shook hands and bid all a pleasant Good-night.
Bert King, seven years old today.

November 16th Saturday.

Raining. Quit about daylight. did not call girls and I until late. Had breakfast, went with Lee to mail, read

items for the "Herald". We wrote a few more items & I said she wanted to go to Normal some place, next Summer. It began to sprinkle and I started home. It very near rained. We got to town but Mary. Letter here for me, from Cousin Pearl. Read "Enquirer" and "Transcript". Henry Stamper had his leg broken in two places by a horse falling on him. Nellie got her new hat. Dollie staid at Cora's. Asked about board. Said $6 per month.

November 17th Sunday.

Heavy frost last night. Folks all gone to church. I staid home alone. Finished letter to Dollie & Ida. Took a bath and dressed for company. Expected Belle Crandall but was disappointed. After dinner Dolly played some. I was too silly to sing. I wrote "Editorial" for The "Herald". Studied some about "Conservation Work". Went to bed at 7 P.M.

November 18th. Monday.

Everybody at school but Nettie. In morning had excellent school. After noon, everything had the tendency to be noisy. Com. on Music asked my opinion as to the number of songs, for Sociable. Decided on three. Put new song on the board - "Scatter Sunshine". had pretty singing. Flo Dorks spent the afternoon with us. After supper I studied Geog. (France) Spelling and Observ. W. Retired at half past eight.

November 19th Tuesday.

Very, very windy and dark. We all went to Lillie's to sing. Had a good time; Lou and I laughed about "Snoot music". Acted charades: "Arkansas High way Robbery." "After the Ball". Played "Evening walk", and "Questions and Answers." Got a letter from Supt McClure, concerning Classification Register.

November 20th Wednesday

Was cold and I was blue as indigo. Dreaded Box Supper. Talked with Nol and Elbert about the supper. Copied Lou's paper, after supper. Mr. King was here when I came home from school. Got letters from Anna Davis and Katherine Kiesenberg.
Improved six days.

November 21st Thursday.

Was in a jolly good humor. Pretty day. Charlie and Lillie came at noon. After recess, heard the primary classes and dismissed them. Large ones prepared for the supper. They sang the songs over. When we came home the boxes were all fixed. Getting ready to go to schoolhouse when Peek's Irwin, John and Elbert came. After awhile John Coppage, Lillie, Minnie Walter & Charlie came in a big wagon for all of us. The house was full. Order was excellent. Program rendered

with satisfaction, until last song. I thought Lillie had all that was wanted and as the song book was in the desk drawer when I locked it, it could not be gotten when wanted. Excused ourselves by saying the Music had been misplaced. Announced that the boxes would be sold, and Mr. Strate would take charge of Affair. (Nellie - Irwin; Dollie - Ed; Mary - Al Goin; Mrs. Strate - Sam; Emma P - Charlie R; Mamie - Brakebill; Lou - John Whitehouse; Rose - Jackson; Jennie - John B; Nella - Roy; Clara - Walter; Bessie - Charlie R.; Lora - John B.; Stella - Elbert; Ollie - Ruble Lillie - Will; Mrs. Dorks - Everett; Mr. Newt McManus.) Everybody seemed to have an excellent time. The snow was all gone by noon. The evening was all that could be wished for. Everybody enjoyed the reading of the "Hazel Green Herald". Got [illegible]

November 22nd. Friday.

Dark and cold until about three o'clock, when it began to turn warmer. Commenced raining about four. Did not rain very much. Several absent from school. Jennie left school, on account of not having books. John and Charlie went after "School News" so I could read "Persimmons." Chas. up and spelled. Irwin and Roy Chas. Elbert last on the floor; mixed "conduit." At 4 I came home, Mrs. Parks, Flo and George Parks's wife were leaving. Sam came back. Mary was 38 years old today. Flo was 11 yesterday.

November 23rd. Saturday.

Dark and gloomy. Rained all day. Was so lonesome I felt, all day, like crying. Sewed buttons on shoes. Mended my mackintosh. Made three light calico aprons. Sam "took his doll and went home."

November 24th Sunday.

Still rainy; cooler. Looked for company but noone came. Wrote to Miss Kiefenberg. Read some from "Walks and Talks." Dollie played and we sang. Combed my hair Colonial fashion.

November 25th Monday.

Rainy and cloudy. sleet and snow part of the time. Bad road to school. Told them I was John Adams's sister. Said I did'nt look like myself. Got letter from mamma and Eda. John S. came for us.

November 26th Tuesday.

Ground white with snow. Snow considerably drifted. Mr. Tongate took us to school in the sled. After awhile Peek's came, in sled and John brought Lillie. Mr. Tongate came after us. Took girls home and Nellie and I took sledride up there and back. Got "School News" and "Teacher." Cold as everything. 18° above zero. Had 15 pupils.

November 27th Wednesday.

Cold. Peek's went by in the sled but we were not ready. (John and John Whitehouse came with Billie and staid until first recess. Had 16 pupils. Mr. Peek came for the children, and as I could not come then I got to walk home. (Said he was sorry "his name was not "John") Got letter from Allie. Dollie went to Hattie's.

November 28th Thursday.

Pretty and bright in morning but clouded over before we went to church. Went to Christian Church and heard sermon by Baptist preacher. Saw Nell Lowry; she told me that Ted was sick and George's folks were coming over to Orah's. Messrs Lowe and Charles Teagate came here for dinner. I made out classification blanks. We intended to go to the surprise but as it was so rainy we did not go.

Nellie and I talked over civil war. Discussed favorite Generals. Drew map of France, and looked up pronunciation of names. Willa was 11 years old November 29th. Friday.

Gloomier than ever. Cold. Unfruitful. At noon Irwin and Lou chose sides and we acted charades. (Charade; Baltimore; educate; charity.) Read sentence to analyze. Irwin made diagram of sentence according to Conklin. Fifth Reader class had to paraphrase "Aim at Accurate Habits of Thought." Good lesson. After recess had ciphering and writing match. Nellie was victor. Went backwards and Walter turned all down but Nellie. Became after Lillie, and we all rode home. After supper I wrote to Anna Davis, Gillan & Bloomfield, and to M. Parker. Mr. T. co[illegible] with Evening Post, Cosmopolitan.

November 30th Saturday.

Cloudy all day. In morning I finished letter to Anna and wrote to mamma. We got ready in a hustle and went up to Hattie Stubbs's. Had a nice visit. Watched people pass. Kraut for dinner. Dollie, Nellie and I went to town after dinner. Went first to P.O. got my first order blanks to fill. Saw Belle Crandall, Nora Vanarsdale, Dora N. Della D. Nelle L. Wayne Jones, I got mittens (48) i cuff set (95) writing tablet (15¢) lemon drops (10¢). Coming home the dish of kraut spilled. At supper, talked about cakes. Mrs. Adams's cake good, Mary's better (Far ahead of anything I ever saw.) After supper, I wrote in Nellie's diary, she read "Girl From Macoupin" laugh at Nellie about Sam S. While we were at Hattie's, Nellie made me vow to Dan and Elbert.

December 1st Sunday.

Dark and rainy. Turning colder. Nearly froze taking a bath. Looked over Observation and Theory. Home. Ed L. came before noon. Ike and Nevie went after cider and apples. Last one done has to wash the dishes. Joe came while we were at dinner. Ma gave me a piece of cake after I left the table, and Ed took part of it away from me. Snowed all afternoon. (I watched it snow.) Played football with an apple. Joe staid until about six o'clock. Talk of Polk boys quitting school in town. (cracked hazel nuts for teacher in school.) Laughed about sending little girl to school, but wanted to send her to a good school and about "Just so his name is John"

December 2nd Monday.

Cloudy and snowing all day. Jennie Finney came to school with Lou. At noon I drew new map of France on board. Scholars all back in Lillie's corner singing. Had 15 or 16 at school. Elbert's birthday - 16. Got letter from Katie and Katherine.

December 3rd Tuesday.

Dollie came to call me to breakfast and rubbed her muff - birthday present - over my face. As I turned my plate over, underneath was a parcel; on opening I found to be a pretty embroidered swiss handkerchief. Dollie is 21 and I am 23. Pretty and bright all day. Lou and Jennie L. came at noon. Will T. helped Pete's kill beef. Boys went skating at noon. Were ten minutes late morning. Wallie baked birthday cake. Started letter Katie M. Milton

brought beef. Read popcorn. Talked about arithmetic problems. Looked up two grades that I had overlooked. Donate instead of Sat

December 4th Wednesday.

Snowing! snowed until noon. Was not cold until about two o'clock. By 4:30 o'clock thermometer was down to 14° above 0. Rena and Will did not come - Eastwood. Too's shoe too bad to wear. At noon, did not get up from Nellie's seat until bell-time. Talked about hair and eyes. Irwin turned his eyes wrong side out. Had Oral II. in interest. Took all of names in map of France. A. Spelling class did not have recitation. Lou talked about writing articles for the Herald. Mary and Nellie went to Fock's. I began letter to Katie last night & one to Allie tonight, but did'nt finish either.

December 5th Thursday

Clear and cold, - 6° above zero. Lora and Jennie Linsey came at half past nine. Lora and Jennie left at recess. At noon most of the children went to the pond. Lillie and I went to see Mr. Strate, about voting on Surplus funds and getting up a Lyceum. Took vote and decided on "bell". Before school, talked of Observation work and got onto subject of what we liked, - greens, cooked onions, cabbage. - After supper I did not do anything, - had dull headache.

December 6th Friday.

Dark and gloomy. 18° above zero. Had good school. Case III. in interest. Moore worked the 7th problem. After supper I solved it. All but six little ones went skating at noon. I was not feeling very well. Told little ones about our "May Day Exercises, and

"Motion Song" and "Old Black Cat", for them. After recess, all prepared slates, closed eyes for one minute, then wrote thoughts. Read slate work. Lou read Chapter VI. of Parliamentary. Each wrote fifteen sentences. Sent letter to Allie. Spoke about reading such books as "James Boys" and "Younger Boys". Swore off. Sun came out soon after school time. Thawed lots. muddy coming home from school. Walter took Ellen's books home. Had toothache a little.

December 7th Saturday.

Cloudy all day. Willie T. and Jim Cherry helped butcher. I began black ice-wool fascinator although eyes and head felt heavy. Nellie went to Strate's. Dollie crocheted lace and Mary knit mittens; she had to ravel out part of one. (compared her with a bicycle) Sent classification Blanks to Supt. McClure. Dollie popped corn.

John and Lillie came while we were at supper. They brought one harp. Laughed about presenting watch to J.; about Lillie's partnership business. Talked of having program Thursday evening. Left about 9 o'clock.

December 8th Sunday.

Cloudy, and very fine snow was falling all day but did not make a show. We all went to Coffrage's. Had lots of music. John had to quit singing to drink cider – saw snake! Gave me a lumber problem to solve. Drew Dollie's picture, then John's, on slate. Shores came to see about sawing lumber. Came home past old schoolhouse.

December 9th Monday.

Had nineteen pupils. Sang "Scatter Sunshine." Larger pupils played out of doors. A. Grammar had

first four stanzas of "Corn Song" to diagram and analyze. Drew France last and complete map. After school Lou and I talked about school, pedagogies, etc. also, about items for "Herald"; sketch from "Rye: Went to see cellar. Talked about Dict.& Bell. Flo Dorks came by and asked me to come there Tuesday evening. Said Ufi Irwin and Roy were scuffling and Irwin struck the cinders quite forcibly. I got letter from Ida.

December 10th Tuesday.

Had fuller school than usual. Little Baptist girls came. Irvin left his history at home and had to write lesson at recess-got in good humor before next recitation. Went to the pond at noon. Gave A. Spelling class words containing vene vent-com. B. Geog. drew S.A. and traced them with ink. Nellie and I went home

with Charlie Hooks. Annie Jenkins was there. After lamp was lighted Flo played and Nellie, Charlie and I sang. Irwin and John came. Flo waited. While we were eating Geo. and his wife came. Boys went coon hunting; and did n't come back till after ten. Had nuts and apples. Slept three in a bed. Dreamed about taking a buggy-ride; buggy went without a horse. Pretty day. Annie read an article about Harry Kayward;-hang to-morrow.

December 11th. Wednesday

Got up about six o'clock. After breakfast I read some poems. We came around by the bridge, nearly tired us out, coming up the big hill. Sang "Scatter Sunshine" Sun shone about half an hour; dark all day; began raining about noon and turned to snow about two o'clock, and kept it up until after four. Ground covered the ground. ground not frozen

At noon, looked for Rose a speech, in Lora's book but could not find anything but "Foreigners." Lillie had sore-throat and did not recite Geog. Lou came home with us. Letter from Bessie T. Folks told about Carter being here last night.

December 12th Thursday.

In morning Lou and I partly copied "Herald." Had not as many pupils as usual. At noon, I copied part of the continued story, and finished after school. Elbert gave Lou the key (suspender) and we did not leave the school-house until late. Dollie came over, and we took supper at Mrs. Strate's. Lou and I came over for a lamp. Mrs. S. told us about "getting war and going to bed." Went over to the school-house. Lou and I made up items about "war" and Roy and Lora getting the floor upside down. Mr. Baptist acted as

president pro tem. Dollie, recording secretary. Officers elected were as follows: Pres.- John Coppage; Vice Pres.- Mr. Mc-Wm Sec.- Louanna Dikes; Treas.+ Irwin Baptist Editor,- E.V.W; Sargeant-at-arms,- Mr. Strate and Mr. King. Com. on Question and Speakers,- John Whitehouse and Elbert Dikes. Com. on Literary program,- Nellie, Roy and Lora. Com. to draft Constitution and By-laws, Mr. Baptist, Nellie & Lillie Question": Resolved that there is more pleasure in Pursuit than in Possession

At recess J. Band J.W. registered name of members. After recess, short program was rendered. Everybody had a good time. Got circular from Rudsdell. Dr. Rutherford visited school.

December 13th Friday.

Rotty day. Full school. Read last chapter of "Rimmons." Pupils express appreciation by a hearty "ah". Each wrote, expressing opinion of the story

Some excellent thoughts brought out. As Mamma did not come, I went home with Peck girls. Talked of hard problems, words to spell, etc. "What is a third and a half of a third of ten?" "There are nine ears of corn in a barrel and a squirrel removes three ears a day; how long will he be in emptying the barrel?" "Xerxes" "chrysanthemum".

December 14th Saturday.

Came home early. Wrote to girls and to mamma. Mrs. Stults came out with Mr. Stults. She sewed on blue afghan square. Nellie sewed on quilt pieces. May made doughnuts and knit. Dollie crocheted lace. I crocheted two balls of ice-wool. After supper we all went over to Strate's. Nearly everybody there when we arrived. Had most excellent time. First in order, music; then cha-

rades. ("Lassez on a rag", "A-ring-a-round Rosa", "Wayside-inn".) Next, Questions and answers; then played "it". Next "Evening Walk". Had peanuts and apples. Laughed about going to see the new cellar. Joe locked Lillie and I in the bed-room; we jumped out of the window and went in the front door. Played Bump it up in a barrel, received favors and went home. ("Dutch Wedding".) Got home nearly twelve.

December 15th Sunday.

Got up quite late. Before breakfast got nearly ready to go. Began to rain. Started to write "items" when Ed came home. Started about 9:15. Roads quite rough. Arrived at 12. Folks greatly surprised. After dinner Grandma Strayer came. Called on Vesta. Lillie Maxfield and Mat Mitchell came. Saw Lutie a little bit. Started back about 5 o'clock. Hays's home

was lighted from attic to cellar. Arrived about 8:40 o'clock. My throat a little sore. Belle Crandall came out from church. Dollie went up to Ward's.

December 16th Monday.

Warm and glorious. All but three at school. Elbert told about John taking Flora home. Directors came for old books. Nellie and Roy were cutting up and Willie hit the end of the seat. - black eye. I had a bad cold.

December 17th Tuesday.

Rainy. My cold worse. Played "Blackman" at noon. Everett sent items for paper. John B was 14 today. Did not come to school.

December 18th Wednesday

Rained all night or rather, poured. Misting all day. Mr. J. took us to school. Lillie came

horse back and John came for her. Had only seventeen pupils. No First or Sec. Reader pupils. My cold worse. After supper, copied items that Lou gave me. (I wrote some for the paper, last night.) Mr. J. was wound up for fun. (The Irishman was told that a clock would run eight days with out winding. Be Gorrah! and what would it do if you was to wind it?)

December 19th Thursday.

Poured rain all night and all day. John came by with the girls and we rode. He came for them. Mr. Strate & Charlie came at noon and got door lock. Recess they brought it back; they staid until school was out. Nellie and I had scuffle, "why don't you fall down." Crocheted another ball on

Black ice wool shawl.

December 20th Friday.

Rained all night. Sun came out and shone nearly all day. Played "Blackman" all noon. After recess Charlie and Kirwan chose up and we had "Buzz exercise" then spelled Geography names. Sent note to Mr. Post. Got examination questions. Announced that there would be no school next week. Lillie spoke about Paper for Thursday evening. Appointed Irwin to take my place. After supper Nellie wrote in her diary and I got paper ready for Irwin to read. Scratched some. Raised swing.

December 21st Saturday.

Got ready to go to town. Stopped at the mill. Irwin G. said it was busy an hour till train time. Went to Cook's. Stella talked of going with me. Decided to wait until Monday. Went

Lizzie and Mary Bob there. Dark came just after dinner. Brought Stella a letter. Orah, Stella and I went up town. Helped decorate church. Got two balls of ice-wool. Saw lots of people in town. Met several of the girls.

December 22nd. Sunday.

Got up early. Went to the funeral at the Christian Church. Mr. Tracy's Aunt preached. School children marched. After dinner went to S.S. Small children were treated. Dan Rose Steidley was very sick last evening. Cold. Stella and I went over Mr. King's Christmas Sermon. It was so warm. Could hardly live. Good hard work to keep awake. Saw Mamie Duncan, Snow, Christ Stella brought her treat from S.S. We had sleigh over the river.

December 23rd. Monday.

Rainy. Stella and I started for Ed. Carl took our valises. He got our tickets. Waited in Waverly Town Room until four eleven o'clock. A little girl took the same train. We waded the mud from the depot to the other depot was full until train came. Then only three of us. Took our wraps and made our selves comfortable. I read three stories aloud. Then I crocheted and Stella read a while. At noon we ate lunch. I crocheted all afternoon. Stella read and played on her Pain all day. We laughed at four ladies who sat in front of us, coming from W. to S. Irma was behind us and at Girard. I was, miserably. Papa met us. I stopped at Decks while papa went to Butcher's shop. Saw Elvin. Invited me to his school tomorrow. Home. Mama was there waiting for me. Letters from

Ida and Anna Davis, "School News" and "Teacher" and "Normal Bee" were here for me. Went over to Post's after supper. When Mamma went to bed I finished her facinator.

December 24th Tuesday.

Dark and cloudy all day. I made bed and swept sitting room. After dinner, Mamma and I went uptown. I got 6 lbs blue calico for dress (48), box stationery (20) tissue paper (12). I put fur on my cloak collar. As we started home from town it began to rain and did not quit until about half past seven. Did n't get any Christmas tree. After supper I made roses for Mrs. Post. Soon after breakfast George came by for Stella.

December 25th Wednesday

Dark and rainy. Gave mamma her Christmas present. Made roses for Sue and took them to her. Lucie showed me her presents. Sue & I

his blocks for me to see. Jessie and Lutie wanted me to come there for dinner. Mamma made doughnuts and I rolled some in sugar. Fern and I went up town. Mamma gave me Whittier's Poems. I got French harp and small mirror. Mr. Deck gave me some pictures for school-room. Saw Mrs. Tribe. Went over and played dominoes with Lutie and Alfred. Read Cleveland's message and some elections from Whittier. Took Pet children some doughnuts. Pretty moonlight night.

December 26th Thursday.

Bright and sunny. Mamma washed. I cut out my dress. Press came by and told Mamma Sue wanted me to come up there a little bit and to bring Baltimore paper. I changed my dress and went. She wanted me to make two bunches of roses. I sewed on my dress

till noon. My head hurt dreadfully and the soreness in my stomach and lungs was worse. Had late dinner. Bill Wareman, Grace and Ella came a while. Lutie came while I was making flowers. I played on harp. Mrs. Enright borrowed Carlinville paper back. Pa supplies, dried apples and finished reading. Mamma told me that Bob Samples had a son about two months old. The moon and stars shone bright.

December 21st Thursday.

Colder. Ironed in the morning; sewed on my wrapper. Had new tip put on the buggy and Mamma and I went to Geo. Smith's. None at home. Pink's all gone, too. Saw John Lemons. I went up town and got flower pots and bottle of inks (1.00). Met Pink, she said she wanted another bunch of roses. After supper, went over to Todd's a while

to see about lunch & train-time. Susie told about Mrs. Barrett and Bessie. Papa went over to Frank Clark's. I was sick; bathed my head with camphor, propped back in big rocking-chair and went to sleep. Mamma came to see why I didn't go to bed. — was resting too long.

December 28th Saturday

Cloudy early; after a while the sun shone but not bright: warmer than yesterday. Finished roses for Sue. Got things ready to go back to Palmyra. Finished ironing and got ready to go to depot by 9:55. Papa took my valise and Alfred took Susie's. Lora Wilson was at the depot. Train ten minutes late. Had valises checked. I sat in front of Sue and Lora on road to Waverly. Staid in depot until passengers were all gone, got valises and "moseyed" on to other

depot. - fr cupid ties. Got to laughing so much, nearly fell down. Other depot so full of smoke I left the door open. Laughed at pictures on the wall. "A Winter Evening in Florida Section Hands" came in to dinner. We ate dinner, put baggage in care of agent and went up town. Called on folks who were not at home. Went to the milliner's shops. Tora got blue sailor hat for Minnie. Went out on west part of Waverly as far as walk extended, - heard piano and turned around and went back to the depot. - Admired beautiful residences. - one especially which was trimmed in patent leather shingles. We bet we'd get out of fuel in a day, but I've found it. Got to depot, took off hats, shawls and rubbers. Got apples books, papers and made ourselves comfortable. When freight train came

L. ——— came in and had quite a chat with Lora. When he wanted to leave, Lora held the door. He gave the door such a kick that it split one of the panel. Nearly collapsed laughing. (He's my Mary's cousin.) Ed raised a stir Waverly at 4:50. They carried a young man on the train and took him off at Rober. None at Palmyra depot. I knew Lora saw a boy who said the Butcher's were in town. Went uptown. Saw Irwin and Grant. Some Butcher's leaving. Saw Gilbert. Met Butcher's at the depot. I rode out to Ora's. Nell was there. We went to the depot with her. Got my valise. Irma came across from the Mill with some bread for Sarah to take home. Carter told me what Mary Bo said. (She's kind a contrary and she is too, and I don't know how it will suit, I'm afraid they won't get along

very well.) After supper, we talked of old times. When Carter asked Orah to take a buggy ride after Harvey had taken her to the picnic.) About Harvey Smith making a stopper to stop Philip Flood selling lumber, lime and cement.) Orah worked doilys.

December 29th. Sunday.

Got up late. Fried dishes for Orah. Curled my bangs and started out home. Met Peek's folks going to church turned around and went, too. Went to Bora's for dinner; to SS. in afternoon, then home. On way home begged to have a watch-party at Peek's. Mrs. Peek said no. Got home about five and was nearly sick with my head. Retired early.

December 30th. Monday.

Got up early. Ground white with snow. Sun came out and melted most of it. Colder than

yesterday. Had tolerably full school. John and Ray & Irwin and Elbert changed seats. Talked of a watch-party at J. Tongate's. After school I copied names on a new page in the Register. After supper I wrote up my diary, and told fortunes with Bocnos. Retired at eight. At school they laughed at Irwin about saying a butterfly had feathers.

December 31st. Tuesday.

Light all day. Most of the time sunny. Gave terms to define in "Observation Work. Had good school. At noon they sang; I traced work with ink in Register. Louanna invited me to party at John J's. Irwin went to Dikes's. Soon after I came from school, Ed came to see if I wanted to go to Jo Heins's to watch party. Vent. Roads rough as everything. Had excellent time. About half past

eleven, they put up stove and cooked the oysters. Al and Lizzie ate at two tables. (Joe Neal, Burton G., Homer G., Milt M., Elmer W., Everett E., Charlie E., Will Draper, L. G., Ed D., Cora, Mary and Lizzie H., Nora Hart, Della B., Bird G., Minnie and Katie Mahan, and Me.) Got home 2:40. Horribly freezing cold.

January 1st, 1896. Wednesday

Had tolerably full school. Got sick just before recess. Lacked one class of teaching until noon, but had to dismiss. Came home and went to bed. Got up about three o'clock and wrote items for "Herald." Butcher was here today. Mr. Peek and John B. laughed at me before I went to school about being at the party. Mc turned it off so cute that they were not sure I went. Mamie came from school with Nellie.

January 2nd, 1896. Thursday.

Pretty Cool. Everybody at school but three Roberts children. Had excellent school. Fifth Reader had the poem, "Farmer John." Copied items before school, at recess, and at noon. Last recess, pupils practised song - "America." Got a little colder. Went to Literary. Had nice time. Question:- "Resolved, - that there is more knowledge gained by travel than by reading". Twelve points on Negative and three on the affirmative, but the cranky judges were bumfoozled by Mr. Baptist's flowery speech and decided in favor of the Affirmative. Several laughed at me about dismissing school. At recess I asked Mr. Baptist what was his point in the "apple story." Had quite an argument with other debaters. Talked with Bird Grimmett; met Mr Butcher. Joe told

us about the party at Jenkins's Sat. night. At school Charlie Burke asked me if I did n't get the wrong muff. John Whitehouse called for Lou. Getting colder. A. Geog. work was left on the board. Charlie B. displayed some of his fine penmanship. misspelled "Horace Greeley".

January 3rd. Friday

So cold, the little folks all staid at home. Ray came at noon. Read "Purple". Ora went home at last recess. Thermometer 16° above zero, and getting colder. Laughed about jokes of last night. Could hardly keep the school house warm. At noon Lillie and I read a story of "The deacon who laughed in meeting." Nearly froze coming home from school. I commenced a letter to the girls but quit when Ed and Elias came. Laughed about "travelling" and

"reading." talk of getting lights, -"gas" "electric". They staid all night. We talked about the box supper. This morning Mr. I. brought my valise out from town.

January 4th Saturday.

Cold. 4° above zero. Boys left soon after breakfast. I was finishing my letter when Charlie Crawford came by and told us that Mrs. Roberts died about eight o'clock this morning. Mr. J. Dollie and Mary went over there. I finished my blue wrapper. Dollie took Grant's hatching knife home. Went to bed at 9.30.

January 5th 1896. Sunday.

Soon after breakfast, Elias and Ed stopped in a minute. Mr. I. went to Roberts's. Mr. Peck came. Told Nellie he understood she was thinking of leaving the Presbyterian church. Dollie, Nellie and I walked

to church. After dinner Messrs Tongate and Strate went to see about digging the grave. Dollie and I went to Roberts's Everybody left but us. After a while John Tongate, John and Lillie, Drake and Brumfield came. We sat up until nearly one o'clock. Mary and Mrs. Strate came to stay the remainder of the night. John came home with us. Lillie went to Mr. Will T's so she could go over and get breakfast.

January 6th Monday.

Got up at eight o'clock. Nearly everybody went to the funeral. Had ten pupils. Nellie and Irwin came at noon. The day was bright and sunny. John, Lillie and Nellie went to Baptist's. Hired John for a penny to never speak to me again. Got a letter from Ida. Mr. Ed Biles was here all night.

January 7th Tuesday

Charlie Dongate's came just before I started to school. Ella and Hoofe came to school with Nellie; they went home at noon. Lou and Lillie almost sick with colds. Lou's throat affected so that she stutters. After school I was putting evergreens and the bench tipped over. Mr. Copfage and John brought their engine over from near Girard. After supper Lillie and John stopped for us as they went down to the schoolhouse. None of us intended to go, so they went on. Nellie and I took a notion to go. Mary fixed our boxes while we put on our wraps. Had a nice time. Dollie Mc-Charlie Crawford; Lou, McManus; Ella McManus; Lillie, Kirwan; Rose, John C.; Jennie, Ed. Got home a little after nine. Go quick! Why, I thought he was goin' to eat the box up!) Ed brought out a load from town. Good order.

January 8th Wednesday

Got up early. Commenced a letter to Miss Riesenberg, but Nellie and I wanted to take a drive so I quit writing. We went to Mr. Stultz's. no one at home. Came back and went to Willie Tongate's. He was down in the timber chopping and we went there. Got back in time for school. Had 21 pupils. Nearly all of the large pupils sick. Lou went home at last recess; she didn't recite afternoon. Jennie Dyer went to town to work. Mr. Tongate went away with the State after supper. Mr. Sawyers were here today. I came home at noon. School Journal and desk key. Talked about the election of officers for Literary. Met Charlie Crawford and Mr. Shute as I came from school. Told about Joe and Burton drinking cider and having a breakdown

Mr. Strate thinks some jokes should be passed on the "Editor". After supper played some on harp, and read from Hyde's Ideal Entr'. Cloudy all day but a short time afternoon.

January 9th. Thursday.

Got up early. Bright and frosty. Folks getting ready to go to Mr. Sherrill's Had 17 pupils. Played Blackman with the children at 1st recess and noon. Talked of getting up an Exhibition. Did'nt go to Literary. Lot's moved.

January 10th Friday.

Had 16 pupils. A & B. classes had examination. Graded all the papers but Geog. and Spelling. I was about sick. Lillie came down to school to see Lou and Nellie. At noon I looked at a book Lou brought containing pictures of Cambridge, the Rialto, etc. Mamma came just before school was dismissed.

On way home she told me about going to Grandma Horn's funeral the day before. Clara Markel and her sister-in-law were there and washed the dishes while Mamma went to the funeral. The roads are lovely. We got home about seven o'clock.

January 11th. Saturday.

Swept, made beds, ironed, made candy, baked spice cake, washed ice-wool shawl. In the afternoon Lulie brought Paul over to play. I went up town, got tablet for literary paper. Called on Fannie but she was out to Dal Boyd's. Stopped to see Etta Shroyer. Went to church at night. Etta told me the message from Ebe. Papa had a bad cold.

January 12th. Sunday.

Started over here about half past ten. Drove Barney. Mamma staid for dinner. Mr. T. told me

I missed half of my life by going home Friday evening. Mr. J. is 48 years old today. At night we went to hear Rev. Gray preach. Church crowded. Rose and Jackson were there. Lucie Foot sent letter to her father. Bess's baby about to die with croup.

January 13th Monday.

Had full school, only five absent. Pretty day. Talked about dialogues for Literary. Discussed curtain subject. Nella came to school. Gave A. Geog. map of Spain. History Cleveland's 1st Term. Nellie is sixteen years old today. She got a goldfish. After supper I wrote articles for the Herald.

January 14th Tuesday.

Cloudy but not very cold. W. T. Pulfred Strate's butcher. Mary and Dollie went to town. Dollie staid. Grandma Chiles quite sick. Mr

went to meeting at night. Saw Stella Hollinsworth. I graded Geog. papers before school. Cy. Brady.

January 15th Wednesday

Mr. Pelke surveyed. Pretty day.

January 16th Thursday.

Had full school. Put up the curtains at noon. Mr. Strate came over with his pincers, and Ramon George said "Oh! he's goin' to hang us with that wire knock us in the head with the hammer then pinch us." John W. came just before recess I could hardly keep from laughing. Irvin knocked his overcoat down, upset a bottle of ink which was sitting on the window. John said the curtains were all right for side tables. At Literary we had quite a crowd and a real nice time. John B. came very nearly speaking to me. Curt G. said his

big jaw was the effect of the slap he received the night of the box supper. He stated that he would rather have a lady's picture than to have the lady herself. Miss Jones, and Jackson were present. Mr. Dorke told the President if he should speak perhaps he would say more than was expected. Question: "Resolved that beauties of art are more pleasing to the eye than the beauties of nature." Affirmative side victorious. Dorcas replied to the "well dressed man". Lewis went on in front of us with red tam, blue mackintosh worn by a curly-headed Irishman, whose brother lives in Palmyra. Saw in "Enquirer" that Sue's baby died Tuesday.

January 17th Friday.

Cloudy, damp, and misting. A. Class took Intercolonial Wars. They are studying punctuation, in Grammar.

After recess we had "Buzz" exercise and spelled Geog. names. Lou and Nellie were champion buzzers. Lou spelled last Geog. name. Charlie Roberts came for his books. Ollie said at "Dade".

January 18th Saturday

Sent letters to Katie Murray, Bessie T. and Miss Kieffer Berg. Got letter from Allie. 16¢ worth of postage stamps. Wrote to Anna Davis, and to the girls. Mr. J. got my second order filled. I gave $1.15 of it to him. I wrote letters on my diary all day. Charlie B. was here afternoon. We talked of Kansas. German language. How it was cloudy all day; a few flakes of snow fell but melted soon as they struck the ground. After supper, Ollie and I wrote up "our diary."

January 19th Sunday

Pretty day, - warmer than usual. Went to Church. Rhoads

preached in the Presbyterian church. Good sermon. Nellie went home with Savanna. Went to church at night. Heard Nellie about the "light colored overcoat." "two in one week."

January 20th Monday.

Cloudy in morning, clear afternoon and clouded up again before night. Small school. I copied dialogue that we are to have for literary. Ollie and Stella were converted at the protracted meeting. We went to church at night. Minnie Parks, Louis Burton and one other boy went forward.

January 21st Tuesday.

Cloudy day. Little folks all at school. Afternoon the large pupils all went to the "young people's meeting" at 2 o'clock. Charlie Crawford spent half of the afternoon at Shaw. Dollie and Nellie staid at town. Ed. came over. Mr. T. said we quarreled

too much, bound to be contrary.

January 22nd. Wednesday

Rained all last night and all day today. Had eleven pupils. Fifth Reader had reproduction story, "Barefoot Boy." Good recitations. Afternoon Mr. Tongate and Charlie B. came over staid all evening. Dismissed early. John came for Billie. Roy came this way. Mr. Tongate started to town as I came. Nellie was asleep. - was up nearly all night last night. Grandma Phibbs died about two o'clock this morning. Minnie D. and Lou B. were converted last night. We all have cold. Mary and I cough considerable.

January 23rd. Thursday

Cloudy and rained all day. Rained all night. Had twelve pupils. Folks went to funeral. Ollie & Stella came to school. Roy came

her from school. John came for Lillie. No one at home when I came. Went to bed early.

January 24th Friday.

Had fifteen pupils. Rainy day. At noon told my dream about school, Mr. McClure, French hat, etc. Jennie came for her books. Last recess, looked up Geography names. Mr. Chiles came home with Mr. T. At supper Mr. T. asked Mr. C. for a picture of the man who performed the ceremony when Mr. C. was married. That was the only couple he ever married. He died soon after. After supper, Old Folks repaired to the kitchen, while Roy, Dollie, John and I played authors. Went to bed at half past nine. Snowed enough to make the ground white. I wrote to mamma. We talked of items for the Herald (cabbage-toppage)

January 25th. Saturday.

Colder than usual. Laughed about "Grayce" re wanting to write. Wrote to Cousin Pearl. Took my harp to pieces and put it back together again. After dinner, Dollie and I went to town - walked. Went all over town for some dark red satin. Got some bright red satin for muff lining also a ten cent tablet for my diary. Mr. Spooner had quite a friendly streak - spoke of Vera at length, meeting my father etc. Dollie lost his written; went back and found it on the floor at Spooner's. Called at Todd's. Charlie a little better. Stopped at Doak's. Stella was gone to church. Doak had washed. When we got home Mr. Jesse Weatherford was here. I lined my muff. Charlie brought Ray over to church. Ed Blair came after me. We left Ray and Dollie with Mrs. Spooner's two children.

fell down. After supper, I wrote, Dollie crocheted and Mary found Mr. I's coat sleeves. The others read.

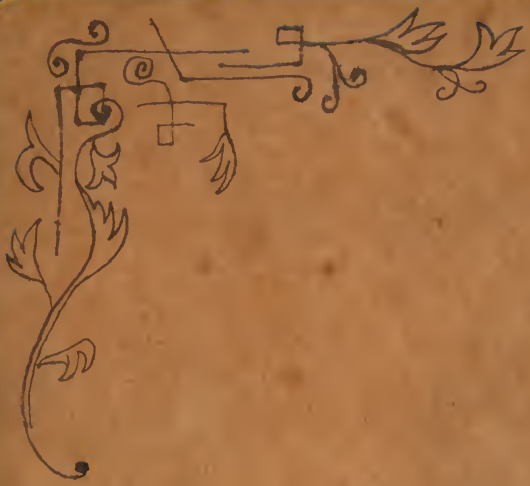
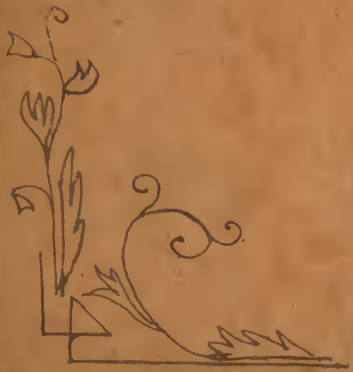
January 26th 1896. Sunday.

At breakfast, had discussion on "Negro question". Jesse Wrenford said that anybody that liked negroes was no better than the negro. Mr. I hurried to town to take train for Carlinville. We walked to church. Gay preached the "hanginest sermon" any one ever heard of. - Civil War - Dream of Heaven. - Nellie staid at home. I never saw such a lonesome day. After dinner, I read; played on the harp and began a letter to Annie Roy and "Speedix" came and I didn't finish. Dollie and Mary went to Faith and left R. J., and I at the table. Roy said that eating a lot was not what made people fat; it is drinking beer. I seconded the

mation, before I thought. We all walked to church. Rhoads preached a good sermon. The church was packed. The aisles were full of chairs, and many who barely had standing room. Dollie and I had to take off our cloaks to have room enough. A big crowd walked out this way; all came together except, - John & Flo and Albert & Nellie. Milton and I played football with my muff. Everett took it away from us, and gave it to Nellie. In calling the names of those coming I referred to John B. as the "deaf and dumb man." Got home about half past eight. The day was bright and sunny; the night, clear and moonlight.

January 27th. Monday.

Beautiful day. Thawed considerably in the sun. Had full school (22) Edbert and Will came by 9 o'clock

to go to church. Ellie and I got ready and went on. Second bell rang as we were nearly there. Sat in front of the stove. Sadie Neil 2. and Stella. Stella said it is reported that there is a case of smallpox at Galloway's, north of town and school and the meetings may close tomorrow. Orah is sick. The night, lovely. roads frozen as we came home. Milt was around & passed almost run down. Asked where the deaf and dumb man was. As we got near home, was telling Elbert about Jesse Weatherford, — her nieces, and so forth. Roy and Bill were standing at the gate. I was almost certain they heard what I had been saying. We sat down to rest as we came in. Mary called and told us to come to bed soon as we could. After I got home from school I curled bottom on my blue wrapper.

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